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WEEK DAYS

		A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	Noon	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Kowloon...	...Dep.	6.40	9.15	10.30	12.00	1.15	4.35	5.29	7.10
Yaumati...	...Dep.	6.50	9.24	10.39	12.09	1.24	4.44	5.38	7.19
Shatin ...	...Dep.	7.02	9.36	10.51	12.21	1.36	4.56	5.51	7.31
Taipo ...	...Dep.	7.16	9.49	11.04	12.34	1.49	5.09	6.04	7.44
Taipo Market	...Dep.	7.21	9.53	11.08	12.38	1.53	5.13	6.08	7.48
Fanling ...	...Dep.	7.32	10.03	11.18	12.48	2.03	5.24	6.19	7.58
Sheungshui	...Dep.	7.36	10.07	11.22	12.52	2.07	5.28	6.23	8.02
Shumchun	...Arr.	7.42	10.13	11.28	12.58	2.13	5.34	6.29	8.08

		A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Shumchun	...Dep.	7.21	8.05	10.38	11.40	3.00	4.17	5.13	6.08
Sheungshui	...Dep.	7.28	8.12	10.45	11.47	3.07	4.24	5.20	6.15
Fanling ...	...Dep.	7.32	8.16	10.49	11.51	3.11	4.28	5.24	6.19
Taipo Market	...Dep.	7.42	8.26	10.59	12.02	3.21	4.38	5.34	6.29
Taipo ...	...Dep.	7.46	8.30	11.04	12.07	3.25	4.42	5.38	6.33
Shatin ...	...Dep.	7.59	8.43	11.17	12.21	3.38	4.56	5.51	6.46
Yaumati...	...Dep.	8.12	8.55	11.29	12.33	3.50	5.08	6.03	6.58
Kowloon...	...Arr.	8.20	9.03	11.37	12.41	3.58	5.16	6.11	7.06

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		A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	Noon	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Kowloon...	...Dep.	6.40	8.35	9.15	10.30	12.00	2.22	5.29	7.10
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Shatin ...	...Dep.	7.02	—	9.36	10.51	12.21	2.43	5.51	7.31
Taipo ...	...Dep.	7.16	—	9.49	11.04	12.34	2.56	6.05	7.44
Taipo Market	...Dep.	7.21	—	9.53	11.08	12.38	3.00	6.09	7.48
Fanling ...	...Dep.	7.32	—	10.03	11.18	12.48	3.11	6.20	7.58
Sheungshui	...Dep.	7.36	9.12	10.07	11.22	12.52	3.15	6.24	8.02
Shumchun	...Arr.	7.42	9.18	10.13	11.28	12.58	3.21	6.30	8.08

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Shumchun	...Dep.	8.12	10.38	11.40	3.00	4.17	5.20	5.40	6.09
Sheungshui	...Dep.	8.19	10.45	11.47	3.07	4.24	5.27	5.47	6.15
Fanling ...	...Dep.	8.23	10.49	11.51	3.11	4.28	—	5.51	6.20
Taipo Market	...Dep.	8.33	10.59	12.02	3.21	4.38	—	6.01	6.30
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A YEAR'S FIGURES.

Two important official report were issued during the autumn, deserving careful study by social students. One is the "Sixteenth Report of the Commissioners of Customs and Excise" for the year ended March 31st, 1925. The other is the "Licensing Statistics" (England and Wales) for the calendar year 1924. These Reports provide the latest information available as to the trade in alcoholic liquors in Great Britain, its machinery and the results of its operations. We propose to deal in this article with the Customs and Excise Report, and in a second article with the Licensing Statistics.

The Report may be considered under three heads:—Manufacture and Imports; Consumption; and Revenue.

MANUFACTURE AND IMPORTS.

British Spirits.—The production of spirits in Great Britain in 1924-5 was less by .15 per cent. than in 1913-14, or 35,630,000 proof gallons, as against 42,000,000 gallons in the earlier year. Of the 133 distilleries operating, 124 were in Scotland and nine in England. Yeast was manufactured in ten distilleries, which produced one-third of the total output of spirits. The great majority of the distilleries are "pot-stills" in the Highlands, with an average output of about 112,000 gallons per year, as against an average output of over 1,000,000 gallons in distilleries mainly using "patent-stills." Owing to the decline in whisky consumption, the Highland (pot-still) distilleries have agreed to an overhead reduction of 25 per cent. in the current season's make, and a corresponding reduction is to be made in the grain (patent-still) distilleries, but there is no need to anticipate a shortage of British spirits, as there were over 136 million gallons in Bond on March 31st last.

Imported Spirits.—There has been a remarkable decline in this class from 5,870,000 proof gallons in 1913-14 to 3,257,000 gallons in 1924-25, or 45 per cent. Rum has fallen from 3,429,000 to 1,148,000 proof gallons, and brandy from 1,544,000 to 653,000 gallons; the later figures, however, exclude the Irish Free State.

Industrial Spirits.—The quantity of spirits received by methylators for conversion into methylated spirit was 8,197,000 proof gallons.

In view of the suggested increase in the use of such spirit for potable purposes, the following figures of bulk gallons issued may be of interest:—

1913-14 1,754,514 (U.K.).
1923-24 1,345,144 (Great Britain and Northern Ireland).
1924-25 1,402,552 Ditto.

The margin available for drinking after the normal domestic supply has been met does not seem to be very large. The exports of spirits in 1924-25 were 8,227,000, as compared with 10,407,000 proof gallons (U.K.) in 1913-14, even including the vast quantities alleged to be smuggled into the United States!

BEER PRODUCTION.

The Report again calls attention to the continued fall in the number of licences issued to brewers for sale. In 1870 there were in Great Britain 34,450 "brewers for sale" brewing about 23 million barrels of beer; but by 1891 the number had fallen to 11,192, brewing about 32 million barrels. In 1924-25 the number was reduced to 1,994 brewers, brewing (September 30th) 25,928,000 selling barrels. The concentration of the brewing trade is indicated by the fact that in 1920 about 65 per cent. of the output in the United Kingdom (including Guinness) was made by under five per cent. of the brewers licensed (see Parliamentary Answer, June 17th, 1920).

The quantity of beer produced in Great Britain in standard and bulk barrels was:—

	Standard Barrels.	Bulk Barrels.	Dilution Barrels.
1913-14 ...	31,791,000	34,025,000	2,234,000
1918-19 ...	11,466,000	21,458,000	9,992,000
1920-21 ...	23,552,000	31,023,000	7,471,000
1922-23 ...	18,589,000	23,932,000	5,343,000
1923-24 ...	19,881,000	25,410,000	5,529,000
1924-25 ...	20,950,000	26,723,000	5,773,000

The quantity of beer imported from the Continent has always been negligible, and in 1913-14 was only 74,205 standard barrels, but now beer from the Irish Free State is included under imports, and in 1924-25 was approximately 1½ million standard barrels or about 1,600,000 selling barrels.

Wine.—The imports of wine show a marked increase since the war, being 15,654,000 gallons for Great Britain in 1924-25, as against 11,637,000 gallons for the United Kingdom in 1913-14. The following table gives the countries of origin:—

	U.K. 1913-14. Gallons.	Great Britain. 1924-25. Gallons.
Germany	899,192	202,559
France	2,891,447	2,960,903
Portugal	3,287,128	8,182,081
Spain	2,878,370	2,777,175
Italy	303,128	520,467
Australia	766,775	614,654
Other British Possessions	332,901	277,176

Sparkling wines (included in above) were 938,616, as against 1,206,257 in 1913-14. Port wine is *not* a "teetotal drink"! About three-fourths of such wine contained at least 20 per cent. of absolute alcohol.

CONSUMPTION.

Spirits.—The following figures show the consumption in Great Britain in 1913-14 and 1924-25;—

	1913-14. Gross.	Per head.	1924-25. Gross.	Per head.
England and Wales	22,560,000	61	11,255,000	29
Scotland	6,859,419	1.45	2,843,361	.58

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SCOTTISH SPORT.

RUGBY FROZEN OUT.

LEAGUE SURPRISES.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

EDINBURGH, December 9th, 1925.

Throughout the whole of Scotland the football fields were again frost-bound. The Rugby game was brought to a complete standstill and one of the great contests of the year, the Inter-City between Edinburgh and Glasgow had to be abandoned, and will not now be played this season.

It was characteristic, however, of the exactions of present-day Association football that all the games in the Scottish League First and Second Divisions were carried through. As was to be expected under the conditions, surprising results were returned, but, apart from their immediate bearing on the points table, these need not be accepted as a serious indictment of form. On the slippery and dangerous grounds players wisely avoided risks, teams were forced to abandon their customary style of play and tactics, and fortuitous and occasionally lucky movements produced goals in unorthodox manner. The net outcome of the day's proceedings did not to any great extent alter the prospects of the various competitors, and even Celtic's unlooked-for loss of a point will not disturb their supporters' optimistic views of the club's championship chances. It was probably the biggest surprise of the afternoon that Clydebank, the bottom club, should run them to a draw at Celtic Park. Almost as sensational was Airdrieonians reverse in their match with Morton, this being Airdrieonians first defeat at home for three years. Rangers lost another point, Kilmarnock drawing with the present Champions. St. Mirren made progress by defeating Motherwell, a club which has declined somewhat of late. It was a day of disaster for Lanarkshire, as Hamilton Academicals also were not only beaten but overwhelmed, Hibernians scoring eight goals against four for their visitors. The Edinburgh club required the points badly, and even yet are relatively level with Clydebank and only better placed than Queen's Park. The amateurs encountered a sixth successive reverse when Dundee beat them at Hampden Park. Once again the premier side were unfortunate, two goals being lost in the closing moments of a game that seemed to be running in their favour. Dundee have lost as many games as they have won, but have been singularly successful in their visitors to Glasgow, where they have beaten Rangers and Queen's and drawn with Celtic. Dundee United also took toll of a Western club, Partick Thistle being defeated by a penalty goal,—creditable victory for the promoted club. In the North Heart of Midlothian defeated Aberdeen by a couple of goals, obtained by superior forward play, and the club are now so well placed on the table that they must be seriously considered in Championship reckoning.

Hibernians, 8; Hamilton Academicals, 4.
Aberdeen, 0; Heart of Midlothian, 2.
Airdrieonians, 1; Morton, 2.
Celtic, 1; Clydebank, 1.
Cowdenbeath, 3; Falkirk, 0.
Dundee United, 1; Partick Thistle, 0.
Kilmarnock, 2; Rangers, 2.
Motherwell, 0; St. Mirren, 1.
Queen's Park, 1; Dundee, 3.
St. Johnstone, 3; Raith Rovers, 1.

This remarkable decline is attributed by the Trade to the high taxation on spirits, but there seems to be a change in the attitude of the public generally to these highly intoxicating liquors.

Beer.—Owing to the fact that no record has been kept of the movements of beer from one division of the United Kingdom to another, the consumption in Great Britain in 1913-14 must be a matter of estimate. Probably the rate of production in Great Britain in 1913-14 to that in 1924-25 approximately represents the decline which has taken place—namely, about 33 per cent. in standard and 22 per cent. in bulk barrelage. The actual consumption of beer in Great Britain in 1924 (calendar year) is given as 17.60 standard gallons as against 27.82 standard gallons in 1913 (U.K.).

Wine.—The quantities imported for home consumption have already been given, and represent .34 gallon per head of the population.

REVENUE.

The total revenue derived from the Trade in alcoholic liquors in all its branches was as follows:—

	1913-14. (United Kingdom) £	1924-25. (Great Britain) £
Beer	13,654,614	81,987,330
Home Spirits	19,539,777	42,824,674
Imported Spirits ...	4,435,885	8,228,932
Wine	1,152,221	3,752,029
Liquor Licences ...	4,432,807	4,418,476
Monoply Value	20,824	69,793
Club Duty	63,048	169,576
	43,299,226	141,450,815

In 1923 the Beer duty was so reduced as to bring the price of beer down one penny per pint. The effect will be seen in examining the figures of beer production already given.

The Report shows the curious fact that, while 12,287,000 proof gallons of home-made spirits paid £42,600,000 duty, the amount paid by 15,650,000 gallons of imported wines was only £3,750,000. The wine contained about 2,750,000 gallons of absolute alcohol; the spirits a little over 7,000,000 gallons. The tax per gallon was 27s. 6d. for the wine and 122s. for the whisky.

There seems room here for the future activities of the Chancellor of the Exchequer rather than in cutting down the already too limited grants for education.—*The Observer.*

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TRAFFIC CASES.

YESTERDAY'S POLICE PROSECUTIONS.

A number of traffic cases came up for hearing before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

A case in which a Chinese driver was charged with reckless driving on January 10th was adjourned, owing to the non-appearance of a Chinese woman, who was the principal witness. This woman, it is alleged, was thrown out of a ricksha, when defendant's car crashed into the vehicle near the Dockyard Gates.

A Chinese was fined $50 for speeding in Des Vœux Road. Defendant had two previous convictions recorded against him, and the police stated that on this occasion he was travelling at the rate of 22 miles per hour.

Another Chinese was fined $5 for disobeying the signal of a policeman at the junction of Arsenal Street and Queen's Road East.

CYCLISTS CHARGED.

NUMBER PLATE SUMMONSES WHICH FAILED.

When Mr. C. J. Roe appeared before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday morning, summoned at the instance of Sergeant Hallam for not having the regulation number plate on his motor-cycle, it was stated that the plate he had was black with white figures, whereas the colours should have been *vice versa*.

Mr. Roe produced his licence and said his plate was all right as far as the regulations printed on the licence were concerned.

The prosecution stated that originally the number plates were black with white numbers, but this was changed in July, 1924, and drivers were notified.

His Worship, in dismissing the summons, said that there had probably been a misprint in defendant's licence.

A similar summons against Mr. Maugier was withdrawn.

NO COMPENSATION.

SEQUEL TO INJURIES TO RACE PONY.

At the Central Magistracy yesterday, Major C. Willson, decided that the question of compensation for injuries to a race pony arising out of a recent traffic case, when a Chinese youth was fined for failing to report an accident, could not be settled by the Court.

The case had been adjourned from last week, when it was stated that defendant's motor-cycle had run into a race pony, owned by Mr. A. H. Carroll, resulting in the pony being seriously injured.

The pony in question is Elm Leaf, one of this year's subscription griffins.

Mr. Carroll, who was present in Court, said he was claiming $100 compensation.

The Chinese youth alleged that when he previously saw Mr. Carroll, he had said that he only wanted $69.

His Worship in giving his decision said that they must settle the dispute themselves.

$1 A MINUTE.

LATE JUROR FINED AT MAGISTRACY.

Mr. A. M. Eca, who was one of six summoned to attend as a juror at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon in connection with the holding of a death enquiry, turned up ten minutes late and was fined $10 by the Coroner, Major C. Willson.

Of the five jurors who were in Court when the proceedings began at 2.15, three had been selected to form the jury and the other two were released. Mr. Eca put in an appearance at 2.25 and told Major Willson that he missed the ferry at Kowloon and this was the reason for his late arrival.

Major Willson remarked that he should have taken steps to have seen that he was at Court in time, and imposed the above fine.

PEKING FINANCES.

WHY THE FINANCE MINISTER RESIGNED.

Just before the resignation of Dr. Chen Chin Tao was announced a Chinese news agency which foreshadowed the resignation circulated the following:—It is said that Dr. Chen has been greatly discouraged and dejected because of the failure of his schemes to raise funds by the issuance of the Customs Surtax Loan bonds and the loan of $50,000,000 to be secured by the proceeds from the increase of the Customs tariff by 2.5 per cent., as well as by the pressure brought to bear upon him by the militarists for funds.

The Increased Customs Tariff Loan proposal was suggested as a final effort on the part of Dr. Chen to tide over the approaching crisis of the Chinese New Year and meet the administrative and military expenditure of the Government for the next few months, but both Sir Francis Aglen and the foreign Delegates to the Tariff Conference, to whom the above proposal had been referred for consideration, unanimously pointed out that in view of complications involved in the question of the uses of the increased 2.5 per cent. Customs tariff receipts, which is also not yet settled owing to the deadlock of the Conference, it is absolutely impossible for them to approve such a scheme.

Furthermore, the present Government is far from stable, and the militarists of the Yangtsze Valley have been demanding accounts of last year's funds. At the same time the militarists are pressing tightly on the Finance Ministry for funds despite its difficulties, making Dr. Chen extremely pessimistic.

Director-General of the Salt Administration, Kuo Chi Han, entertained a number of bankers to a banquet on the 13th inst. in an endeavour to secure small loans to tide over the crisis, but he is said to have failed completely.

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Chartered Bank	£31½ nom.
Mercantile Bank, A. & B.	£29½ nom.
Do., C.	£18½ nom.
P. & O. Bank	£9½ nom.
East Asia Bank	$35 nom.
Canton Insurance	$590 buy
China Underwriters	$2½ nom.
North China Insurance	Tls. 145 nom.
Union Insurance	$253 buy.
Yangtsze Insurance	$35 buy.
China Fire Insurance	$165 buy.
Hongkong Fire Insurance	$600 sel.
Douglases	$33 sel.
H.K., C. & M. Steamboats	$24 sel.
Hongkong Tugs	$4½ nom.
Indo-Chinas (Pref.)	$33 nom.
Shell Transports	97/- nom.
Star Ferries	$55 sel.
Waterboats	$16 buy.
Oriental Navigations	$250 nom.
China Sugars	$31 sel.
Malabon Sugars	$48 nom.
Benguets	$1.90 nom.
Kailan Mining Ad.	44/- buy.
Langkats (combined)	Tls. 30 sel.
Do. (single)	Tls. 20 nom.
Shanghai Explorations	Tls. 5.45 nom.
Shanghai Loans	Tls. 8 nom.
Raubs	$5.80 sel.
Tronoh Mines	55/- nom.
Ural Caspians	8/- nom.
H.K. & K. Wharfs	$123 sel.
H.K. & W. Docks	$57½ buy.
Hongkows	Tls. 165 nom.
New Engineerings	Tls. 7 buy.
Shanghai Docks	Tls. 114 sel.
Indos Def.	$45 nom.
H.K. & S. Hotels (old)	$7½ buy.
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Hongkong Realtys (c.p.)	$5 buy.
H.K. Territorials (f.p.)	$6 buy.
Humphreys Estates	$13½ nom.
Prince's Buildings	$150 nom.
Rural Lands	$7 sel.
Ewo Cottons	Tls. 10 sel.
Orientals	Tls. 3 nom.
Shanghai Cottons (old)	Tls. 58 sel.
Do. (new)	Tls. 28 sel.
Amusements	$10½ buy.
Canton Ices	$7½ nom.
Cements (combined)	$10½ nom.
Do. (old)	$12½ nom.
Do. (new)	$3 sel.
China Buses	Tls. 10½ buy.
China Lights (combined)	$16½ sel.
Do. (old)	$12 sel.
Do. (new)	$8 sel.
China Providents	$8 sel.
Constructions	$3 buy.
Dairy Farms	$17½ sel.
Der A Wing (f.p.)	$10 nom.
Hongkong Electrics	$51 nom.
Macao Electrics	$40 nom.
H.K. Developments	30 cts. buy.
H.K. Ropes (combined)	$40 sel.
Do. (old)	$13½ nom.
Do. (new)	$8½ nom.
Hongkong Tramways	$21 buy.
Lane Crawfords	$12½ nom.
Mackintoshs	$21½ nom.
Peak Trams (old)	$17 buy.
Do. (new) (c.p.)	$8 nom.
Sinceres	$11 sel.
Taxis	$4 sel.
United Asbestos	$20 nom.
Watsons (old)	$12½ buy.
Do. (new)	$12½ buy.
Wm. Powells	$12 sel.

buy.—buyers; sel.—sellers; sa.—sales; nom.—nominal.

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Copenhagen	19.64
Vienna	34.52
Helsingfors	193
Lisbon	2
Buenos Aires	46½
Shanghai	3/0⅞
Yokohama	1/10
New York	4.86.5-6
Geneva	25.19
Milan	190.55
Stockholm	18.16
Oslo	23.87
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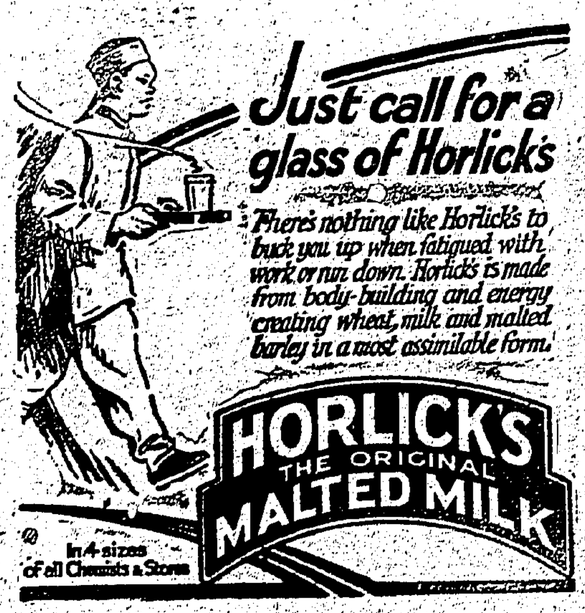
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INDIAN GUARD'S DEATH.

KILLED BY MOTOR LORRY AT CAUSEWAY BAY.

On Wednesday, January 13th, an Indian police guard, named Jaginder Singh, who was employed at the China Sugar Refinery, Causeway Bay, was on his way from his house to start his duty at the Refinery, shortly after 8 p.m., when he was knocked down and killed by a motor-lorry in Yee Wo Street.

An inquest was held at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon by Major C. Willson, sitting as a Coroner with a jury consisting of Messrs. E. Ezra (foreman), Fung Tat Hang and Fung Pui Ying.

Mr. E. S. C. Brooks was present on behalf of Messrs. Ng Wah, the owners of the motor-lorry.

Dr. E. P. Minett (Government Bacteriologist and Officer in charge of Mortuaries) gave evidence regarding his post-mortem examination of the body of Jaginder Singh on January 14th and said the cause of death was multiple injuries and shock.

In answer to Mr. Brooks, witness said he examined the stomach of deceased but found no trace of alcohol.

Taja Singh, another police guard and an eye witness of the fatality, described how the accident occurred. He said that he, deceased and others left the house together and as deceased crossed the road he was knocked down by the motor-lorry. The driver did not sound his horn.

In answer to the foreman, witness said the street was not crowded at the time; there were only a few Chinese about. The motor-lorry stopped after the accident.

Similar evidence relative to the accident was given by an Indian constable who was with deceased at the time. He stated that Jaginder Singh was struck on the head by the lorry and fell between one of the front and rear wheels, the rear wheel passing over his body. Witness estimated the speed at which the lorry was travelling to be approximately 20 miles an hour. The lorry, he said, went about 15 yards before it was stopped.

The driver of the lorry said that at 6.15 p.m. on the 13th inst. he was driving the lorry in a westerly direction when someone riding in the lorry suddenly shouted to him that he had run over someone. He at once stopped the lorry and found the Indian lying on his back.

In answer to Inspector Alexander (Traffic Department), witness said he stopped the lorry within five or six feet from where the accident occurred. His lorry was travelling at about eight miles an hour. He had been driving the same lorry for about 2½ years.

In answer to Mr. Brooks, the driver said the light was bad and he was following a tram. The Indians appeared to be playing about the street pushing each other.

Evidence was also given by persons riding on the lorry.

Sergeant Roberts said that he examined the lorry after the accident and found the brakes and the horn in good working order.

The jury returned a verdict of "accidental death" and attached no blame to the driver of the lorry.

The jury also added a rider recommending that the police insist when granting licences, if they found it feasible, that a device be placed on all lorries for the purpose of regulating the speeds, *i.e.*, to prevent them exceeding a certain speed.

A WRECKED SAMPAN.

COLLISION IN HARBOUR WITH B. & S. STEAMER.

Several persons had a narrow escape from drowning in the harbour on Sunday night through the B. and S. steamer *Chinhua* colliding with a sampan.

The accident occurred apparently through a rush made by two sampans to get to the vessel, which was thought by the Chinese to be bringing pigs. It is the practice among pig dealers to pay coolies an extra thirty cents for every pig brought on the first sampan to reach the shore after the steamer bringing the pigs from the South has anchored, hence the eagerness of the sampans to get alongside.

The *Chinhua*, it appears, was steaming slowly past Green Island about 10 p.m. when two sampans, which apparently had not been carrying lights, suddenly exhibited flares and an attempt was made from one of them to throw a line to the side of the vessel. The second sampan got in the way and there was a collision. The sampan was completely wrecked and the occupants were thrown into the water.

A boat was quickly lowered from the *Chinhua* in charge of a European officer, who satisfied himself that all the crew of the sampan had been picked up.

Yesterday's vernacular papers stated that one or two of the *fokis* lost their lives in the collision, or had not been accounted for, but this report would seem to be incorrect in view of the official statement from the *Chinhua* that no one was left in the water.

A SUSPECT ARRESTED.

SEQUEL TO SILK STORE ROBBERY.

The police have arrested a man, suspected of being implicated in the robbery at the Popular Silk Store, on Sunday night.

The floor through which the thieves bored a hole, and so entered the shop, had been vacant for some time, and there was free access to it by a stairway at the back of the building.

It is thought that the work was that of the same gang, who perpetrated other daring and successful robberies a year ago.

SUPREME COURT.

CLAIM FOR MONEY LENT.

Before the Chief Justice, Sir Henry Gollan, in the Supreme Court yesterday, Ng Ki Po, 18, Russell Street, claimed $11,119.50 from Ip Chu, formerly of No. 26, Elgin Street.

Mr. Elsley Zeitlyn, counsel for applicant, said that the claim arose out of a mortgage entered into between the parties on July 28th, 1924, when plaintiff advanced defendant $25,000, secured by the mortgage of 26, Elgin Street. The loan was for a period of six months, to be called in by one month's notice. On May 18th, 1925, Mr. H. K. Wo, plaintiff's solicitor, gave notice to defendant for the return of the money. No reply was received. On June 29th another notice was sent, calling for the principal and interest due, and defendant was also informed that if the money was not fully paid before the expiration of one month, plaintiff would sell the property on which he held a mortgage deed. No reply was received and on August 17th, 1925, No. 26, Elgin Street, was put up and knocked down to the highest bidder for $15,000. The costs and disbursement amounted to $344.50, and interest to $775, leaving a balance of $11,119.50 which was claimed.

Concluding, Mr. Zeitlyn said that plaintiff was an old man of 84 years of age, and somewhat deaf, and the whole transaction was carried out on his behalf by his son.

After evidence was given, His Lordship gave judgment for the amount claimed with costs.

A POINT OF LAW.

WHEN A CONTRACT IS ILLEGAL.

A Company which has over twenty partners is illegal. This was mutually agreed to, when before Mr. Justice Wood at the Summary Court, yesterday, a Chinese claimed from the Pui Cheong firm, the return of $1,000, which he claimed to have paid for shares in the firm.

Mr. D. McCallum was for plaintiff and Mr. G. Leask for defendant.

Plaintiff said that defendant asked him in 1923 to buy some shares in a venture he had taken up. It was the building of a house in Swatow, and he eventually put in $1,000. The house had been completed, but he had not received a return either of interest or principal. He had been told that a profit had been made.

Another witness, who said that he was a clansman of plaintiff's, stated that he had put in $2,200 into the fund, and had not received a cent in return. He had taken charge of the accounts concerning the erection of the house in Swatow, and when it was completed he handed over the account books and all monies to defendant. He knew that from $7,000 to $8,000 profit had been made. He also stated that the capital of the firm when started was $23,000.

Mr. Leask submitted that since there were over 20 persons partners in the firm, the contract was illegal, and therefore his legal liability was *nil*. He, however, agreed with his Lordship that his moral liability was heavy.

A long argument ensued as to whether the case came within the jurisdiction of the Court; and eventually his Lordship reserved judgment.

WEST POINT BLAZE.

WING LOK STREET BUILDING GUTTED.

There was extensive damage done in a fire which occurred at Wing Lok Street, West Point, early yesterday morning, the affected building which was three-storeyed, being practically destroyed. The ground floor was used as a provision store, the first floor was the Lee Yuen Loong medicine shop, and the upper floor was kept as a school.

The building was well alight when the people in it were aroused. The majority were sleeping on the first floor, and they made their escape by climbing along the verandah to an adjacent building, where there was bamboo scaffolding, which enabled them to descend to the street below.

The Central Fire Station was called up at 3.44 a.m. and the Kennedy Town and Wanchai brigades were also summoned. When the brigade arrived the building was ablaze. Two water pumps and a hose in the sea were employed, the hoses being plied from the verandahs of opposite and adjacent houses. The fire was extinguished within three-quarters of an hour.

The roof and the upper floor were completely destroyed, and the first floor was badly damaged. The stock of provisions on the ground floor was also destroyed by fire and water. The stocks in this floor and on the first floor were insured with the Phœnix and other insurance companies for $12,000.

ATTEMPTED ROBBERY.

ROBBERS SCARED OFF BY POLICE WHISTLE.

Three men, armed with one revolver, two knives and one dagger, made an attempt to rob the shop of a Japanese barber, named Hayashi Ida, No. 10, Praya East, on Monday night.

They entered the yard at the back of the shop about 10.15 p.m. and tied up an old amah in the kitchen. The barber, hearing that something unusual was taking place, ran out and on seeing the robbers blew a police whistle which scared the intruders and they hastily decamped. The police were unable to trace them.

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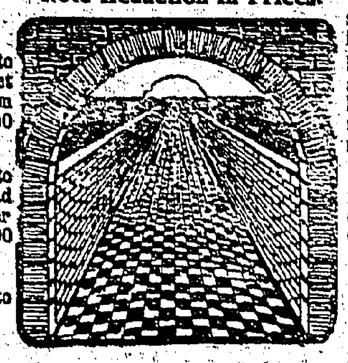
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LOCAL SPORT.

RIFLE LEAGUE COMPETITION.

H.M.S. "HAWKINS" WINS IN THREE-CORNERED MATCH.

The above triangular match was shot off at Taikoo Range on Sunday, January 24th, and resulted in a win for H.M.S. *Hawkins* against H.M. Dockyard and the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps. The scores were as follow:—

H.M.S. "HAWKINS."

	200 yds.	500 yds.	600 yds.	Total.
A.B. L. Ring	29	30	30	89
P.O. A. C. Thoday	27	31	29	87
P.O. H. Page	31	30	26	87
P.O. T. Shenton	26	32	28	86
P.O. A. Lewry	25	30	29	84
Sgt. W. J. Shaw	30	25	29	84
L.S. S. Trowbridge	31	31	21	83
Col.-Sgt. W. Gossett	24	29	23	76
Totals	223	238	215	676*
Plus 6 per cent. for open sights				41
Grand total				717

*—Average 84.5 per cent.

H.M. DOCKYARD R.C.

	200 yds.	500 yds.	600 yds.	Total.
Mr. W. Garrett	27	31	28	86†
Mr. W. Cook	29	33	24	86†
Mr. J. Jefford	27	27	31	85†
Mr. F. Young	27	26	27	80†
Mr. E. Edwards	25	30	25	80†
Mr. A. Worth	25	27	26	78
Mr. W. Latham	23	23	30	76†
Mr. S. Wickenden	23	29	19	71†
Totals	206	226	210	642*
Plus 6 per cent. for open sights				5
Grand total				647

†—Aperture sights.
*—Average 80.25 per cent.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS.

	200 yds.	500 yds.	600 yds.	Total.
Mr. D. Reid	32	30	29	91†
Mr. N. L. N. Railton	31	31	27	89†
Mr. D. Goodfellow	29	30	23	82†
Mr. M. H. Wallace	25	28	26	79†
Mr. J. A. Lyon	27	29	22	78†
Mr. C. H. Summers	26	24	22	72†
Mr. R. Goodman	23	27	20	70†
Mr. F. Goodman	25	26	16	67†
Totals	218	223	187	628*
Plus 6 per cent. for open sights				4
Grand total				632

†—Aperture sights.
*—Average 78.5 per cent.

H.M.S. *Hawkins* won by 70 and 85 points.

A "CHAMPION STRONG MAN."

Mr. J. P. Vieira Remedios, of No. 10, Morrison Gap Road, Hongkong, writes to us to say that he is now prepared to lay a wager against any local athlete who would beat his record for the championship of the Colony in the following contests:

(1) Long distance running of 20 miles in 2 hours;
(2) Long distance walking of 40 miles in 8 hours;
(3) Recite from memory 200 verses of poetry from Lord Macaulay, Sir Walter Scott or any other well-known poet;
(4) Sing from memory 40 different songs without stopping for 4 hours.

[Whatever prospect there may be of takers in (1) and (2), we imagine there will be none for No. 4.]

FOOTBALL.

FINAL INTERPORT TRIAL GAME.

The final interport soccer trial game will be played this afternoon, the kick-off being at four o'clock.

At the conclusion of the game the Selection Committee will meet to pick the fourteen players to make the journey to Shanghai.

The teams participating in this afternoon's game will be as under:—

Whites:—Rodger; Wynne and Xavier; Leung Yuk Tong, Stewart and Bristowe; Taylor, Pulford, Howard, Butler and Macklesworth.

Colours:—Clark; Wheeler and Jordan; Mitchell, Sims and McKelvie; Charlesworth, Humberstone, Gosano, Sueh Kam Shun and Hayes.

Reserves:—McGreavey, and Brittain.

CRICKET.

ENGINEERS AND MEDICALS MATCH.

In a University inter-faculty cricket match at Pokfulam this afternoon the following will represent the Engineers and Medicals:—

Engineers:—W. M. Gittins (capt.), Prof. F. A. Redmond, Prof. M. H. Roffey, H. C. Hunt, J. L. Youngsaye, A. Hoalim, S. O. Shahabudin, Cheung Tuck Wing, I. Tajima, H. T. Barma, and A. Sulieman.

Medicals:—A. A. Rumjahn (capt.), Prof. J. L. Shellshear, Dr. D. K. Samy, Dr. S. A. M. Sepher, C. W. Lam, D. Laing, C. H. Yeoh, Y. C. Teh, B. N. Sudan, R. Chan Wah, F. Hiptoola.

Umpire:—C. K. Ong; Scorer: P. T. Lam.

HOCKEY.

The following will represent the Hongkong H.C. 1st XI. against H.M.S. *Hermes* to-day at 5 p.m. sharp at the U.S.R.C. in Club colours:—S. H. Garrod, A. A. Dand, C. L. R. Becher, A. S. Hett, E. J. R. Mitchell (capt.), Rev. E. W. L. Martin, H. Owen Hughes, D. Lyon, W. Woodward, J. E. Noronha and T. J. Price.

The hockey match between the 5/2nd Punjabis and the Club 2nd XI. has been postponed until Friday (January 29th) at the Marina ground, Kowloon, 5 p.m.

CHILD'S EARRINGS SNATCHED.

THIEF SENT TO GAOL AND BIRCHED.

Before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy, yesterday, a Chinese was sentenced to seven months' hard labour, and ordered to receive twenty strokes with the birch, for snatching a pair of gold and jade earrings from a little girl in Caine Road yesterday morning.

An amah gave evidence to the effect that she was taking her master's little daughter to school at 8.10 a.m. when defendant came from behind and snatched her earrings.

The culprit was arrested in Staunton Street, after being chased by an Indian constable.

WEATHER REPORT.

Last night's weather report, forecast and remarks by the Royal Observatory, Hongkong, said:—

The anti-cyclone has weakened further and has moved into the Sea of Japan. Fresh monsoon will continue along the South-east Coast of China and over the Northern China Sea.

Local forecast: North-east winds, fresh to moderate, fine.

THE BOYCOTT.

THE NEW YEAR TRUCE NEGOTIATIONS.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

The Canton Strike Committee has not yet formally acceded to the requests made by Chinese merchants of Canton and Hongkong that goods and persons may be allowed to move freely during the Chinese New Year holidays, commencing a fortnight before New-Year Eve. It has been represented that this truce is required especially in the interests of those who devote the whole year to the manufacture of holiday goods and expect their returns from the trade with Hongkong and Macao just before New Year's Eve.

Representative Hongkong Chinese are despatching agents to Canton with the object of arranging for a truce. At the same time Canton Chinese are asking the Kuomintang for permission to enter Shameen before the year-end in order to draw funds from the foreign banks to make their annual settlements.

THE NATIVE CUSTOMS SEIZURE AT SWATOW.

PEKING REQUESTS CANTON TO STOP INTERFERENCE.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

The Kuomintang Government in Canton has been requested by the Government in Peking to stop the Chinese Superintendent of Customs in Swatow from interfering with the administration of *likin* stations rightly under the Commissioner, who has charge of all native customs within 50 *li* of the Maritime Customs in Swatow.

It is unlikely that Canton will over-rule the action recently taken in Swatow, as Canton is trying to take over everything within Kwangtung still under Peking control.

The Swatow Kuomintang authorities on January 19th took over the native customs stations at Meikai, Suicheng, Chinghoi, Holmoon, Chaohou, Omfau, and others.

It is stated that the Canton Government is appointing a superintendent of the Chinese Telegraph Administration in Hongkong to supercede the one appointed by Peking.

SHORTAGE OF FUEL.

FATSHAN ELECTRIC LIGHT WORKS SUSPENDED.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

The Electric Works at Fatshan have had to suspend operation owing to a shortage of fuel, the Government Bureau in charge of the Oil Monopoly having failed to provide the works with a sufficient stock of fuel and lubricating oils, while at the same time it prohibits independent import. Many factories depending on the Electric Works for power have now to stop work also. Since the electric light was thus cut off, kerosene oil has been selling at 50 cents a catty in Fatshan.

Foreign agencies like the Standard Oil and the Asiatic Petroleum Companies used to supply local demands, but they are refusing to recognise the new *likin* imposed by the Kuomintang and have closed down their depôts in this and other cities where the Kuomintang has control.

AVIATION AT CANTON.

PLANS FOR ITS DEVELOPMENT.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

In order to popularize aviation, the Aviation Club in Canton is trying to increase its membership by 3,000. Anybody who would like to support and encourage the development of aviation is eligible to join. The Canton Government is hoping soon to acquire 25 new aeroplanes for military observation in time of war, and in normal times for commercial purposes, especially for mail transportation. It is hoped to have aerial stations at Swatow and Pakhoi as well as at Canton. The Canton aerodrome will be built at Shaho, the eastern suburb of the city.

CRIME WAVE AT CANTON.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

With the object of checking the crime wave at Canton and the surrounding district, a public conference, under the auspices of the leading organisations in the City will be held on February 1st to make suggestions to the authorities. The conditions have been intolerable for some time. In the last few months a number of policemen have been killed while performing their duty. A monument is to be dedicated shortly in the First Public Park in Canton to the memory of 87 policemen who in the past few years have died in the performance of their duty.

CANTON AND PEKING.

KUOMINTANG ARMY MAY START IN APRIL.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

It appears to be improbable that the proposed Northern Expedition of the Kuomintang Army in Canton against Peking will undertaken within the next three months. The island of Hainan has to be occupied by Kuomintang forces, which is being done, and then the provinces of Kwangsi, Yunnan, Kweichow, Kiangsi, and Hunan will have to be dealt with before a military expedition to the North can start.

The Kuomintang leaders are to meet in Wuchow early in February, to discuss ways and means of organising a strong Kuomintang Party in Kwangsi Province, and to establish a government in Kwangsi in accord with that in Kwangtung, both in form (like the Soviet) and in policy, thus bringing Kwangtung and Kwangsi together so as to furnish a strong basis for a federation of all the South-Western Provinces above mentioned. In the meantime, agents are at work among the lower ranks in the militarist camps in the South-Western Provinces "and propagandists have been sent amongst the peoples of these provinces to enrol supporters for the Kuomintang.

The 2nd, 3rd, 6th, and part of the 1st Corps of the Kuomintang, or Red, Army are being trained for the Northern Expedition, while the 4th and the 5th Corps and two divisions of Labour and Peasants' Corps are to be kept at home for local defence. It is regarded in some quarters very doubtful whether the Yunnanese and the Hunanese mercenaries now in the service of the Kuomintang in Kwangtung will advance further once they succeed in setting foot on their native soil again. Of the corps commanders proposed for the expedition, none is a Cantonese. Popular feeling may be said gladly to support a Northern Expedition, if it means that once some of these troops have left Canton, they will never return.

TRAIN HELD UP BY ROBBERS.

TWO PASSENGERS KILLED.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

A train was held up by robbers at Ngan-chan-ngau Station, on the Canton-Hankow Railway (Kwangtung Section) on January 23rd. A civilian and a soldier were killed by the robbers who ransacked all the cars of the No. 3 mixed train.

This line, it may be recalled, was recently condemned by experts from the Reconstruction Commissary in Canton as unsafe without immediate repairs. There have been five accidents on the line already this year, but this is the first robbery on a considerable scale that has been reported.

PAYING FOR PROTECTION AGAINST PIRATES.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

Tow-boats sailing from Canton are in future to have two launches each, one for towing and the other for protection against pirates. Passengers on boats sailing for the West River districts will be charged from 10 to 20 cents extra to cover this additional cost of operation. The Kuomintang Navy is also despatching ten armed launches to convoy vessels sailing from Canton, and incoming and outgoing vessels will be inspected at Poontong, Fati, Tai-sha-tao, and Nam-shek-tao with a view to preventing pirates boarding the vessels in the guise of passengers.

LIKIN IN KWANGTUNG.

FIFTY PER CENT. INCREASE.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

The various *likin* or transit and native taxes in Kwangtung, which have not been revised since they were established in Manchu days, are increased by 50 per cent., effective January 15th, according to a new Kuomintang order.

Water rates in Canton also are to be increased by 20 per cent., the additional charges going to the Municipality for police expenses.

CONTRABAND GOODS.

PIECE-GOODS AND WAX FROM HONGKONG SEIZED.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

A report from pickets to the Strike Committee states that on January 22nd large consignments of piece-goods and wax, all shipped from Hongkong for Canton inland towns by way of Canton were seized by pickets in Canton Harbour.

SANITARY BOARD.

RE-APPEARANCE OF RABIES IN HONGKONG.

DR. KOCH'S QUESTIONS.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board took place yesterday afternoon under the chairmanship of Mr. N. L. Smith, when the following members of the Board attended: Dr. W. V. M. Koch, Dr. J. C. McGown, Dr. W. W. Pearse (M.O.H.), Mr. S. W. Tso, Mr. Wong Kwong Tin and Mr. G. S. Kennedy Skipton (Secretary). Dr. Severn (Assistant M.O.H.) and Mr. D. Davies (Assistant Secretary) were also present.

Dr. Koch, pursuant to notice, asked the following questions:

"A.—Water examination.

(1) Is it the case that the Bacteriological examination of the Hongkong potable waters is made only once a month?

(2) Is it not advisable that such examinations should be made at least once a week?

(3) Can and will the Authorities concerned take steps to have this done?

B.—Prevention of Rabies.

In view of the recurrence of Rabies from time to time in the Colony, and of the proved efficiency of Antirabic Vaccination as a preventive, would the Authorities consider the possibility of insisting upon such vaccination for dogs previous to the issue of a licence."

The Chairman said that he was authorised by the P.C.M.O. to reply as follows:

(1) The answer is in the affirmative.

(2) A weekly examination would be advantageous.

(3) The question of increasing the staff of the Bacteriological Institute is under consideration by the Government. Without such increase it is not possible to make examination more frequent.

Dr. Koch said he thought it would be very advisable if the Government did increase the staff of the Bacteriological Institute. There was no doubt whatever but that the question of water supply, etc., ought to be attended to much more than it was at the present time. In his opinion a weekly examination was not too often.

Dr. McGown agreed with Dr. Koch, and said that if the water was unsatisfactory on the day immediately following the examination, then they had a chance of having polluted water for a month. In his opinion the examination should be weekly.

The Chairman said he thought there was always a further examination when a deficiency of any sort was reported.

THE RABIES CASES.

With regard to Dr. Koch's second question, he was authorised to reply that the matter was under the careful consideration of the Government at the present moment. He did not think it would be out of place if he made a statement to the Board regarding the rabies situation. He saw that one newspaper reported that there were three cases in one day. That was not so. There were three cases during the week ended last Sunday. They had had no case since last April until quite recently. These last three cases were all in Hongkong. The first case was a dog on the Praya which fell into the water and was fished out, drowned, and was later proved to have been suffering from rabies. Enquiries were made and it was reported that the dog had bitten some people. These were searched for but were not forthcoming, and it was reported that they had gone back to the country.

The second case which occurred a few days later was in Wyndham Street. This was a privately owned dog which contracted rabies, and the police secured it and also several other dogs with which it had been in contact. The latter dogs were now under observation.

The third case was secured by the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon himself along Des Vœux Road and was taken away and killed. This dog too was found to be suffering from rabies.

The whole situation was receiving the careful attention of the Government, and it was only fair to the public that they should know of this, and also that the Colony had been free from rabies for nearly a year—ten months at least.

THE TRADE LOAN.

The Committee appointed by H.E. the Governor to consider the applications in connection with the Trade Loan has already approved the disbursement of $14,681,000, which amount is distributed among two hundred persons or firms. The sum actually paid in cash, however, up to the present, is just over eight millions.

Several applicants, principally Chinese native banks, have since discovered that they are in a position to carry on without the help of the loan, and therefore, the full sum already approved will not be paid out. The amount which now unlikely to be required is given as $1,341,600.

The Committee is to sit again to-day to consider further applications, of which there are about eight, mainly Chinese.

A RENT CASE.

EUROPEAN'S CLAIM FAILS.

Before Mr. Justice Wood in the Supreme Court yesterday, Mr. Addison Hargraves, of No. 4, Chatham Road, Kowloon, claimed from the Tong Ho Company, Real Estate Agents and Building Contractors, $864, being the rent paid to the defendants in excess of the standard rent, in respect of his residence.

Defendants counter-claimed for $240. They held that the standard rent in respect of the first floor of the residence was $150, and that of the ground floor $92, but the premises had been let to plaintiff for $120 and $92 respectively. Plaintiff had failed to pay the rent due, or any rent at all, in respect of the first floor for December, 1925, and January, 1926, and in respect of the ground floor for November and December, 1925.

Mr. Strellet (Messrs. G. K. Hall Brutton & Co.) was for plaintiff, and Mr. M. M. Watson (Messrs. Johnson, Stokes & Masters) for defendants.

Mr. Strellet said that his claim rested on the apportionment of what he claimed to be the standard rent; and on the basis that plaintiff was now tenant of the whole premises, the standard rent of which should be $100. The history of the premises had been traced and there was absolutely no intimation that the rating had been altered.

With regard to the counter-claim, Mr. Strellet said that he did not dispute it.

THE ASSESSED RENT.

Mr. J. Basto, who formerly owned and lived at No. 4, Chatham Road, Kowloon, said that he sold the house to the defendants in 1923. He had owned the house since 1912, and the rent was $100, exclusive of rates. The premises were assessed at $100, and up to the time he vacated the premises in 1923, there had been no higher assessment.

Mr. Hargreaves, the plaintiff, said that he resided at No. 4, Chatham Road, with his wife and five children. He first occupied the top floor on September 20th, 1924, the Tong Ho Co. being the owners. There was no furniture provided. The rent agreed upon was $120 per month. Another person lived on the ground floor until October 1st, 1925, and he (plaintiff) arranged to take it over. The rent had previously been $80 a month, but before he took it over, an increase of 15 per cent. had been made, and he was charged $92 a month.

KEEPING THE HOUSE TOGETHER.

Replying to Mr. Watson, he said that he paid the rent for the top floor in advance, and the ground floor rent in arrear. The owners had agreed not to increase the rent of the top floor. He considered that the landlord could not increase his rent for the upper floor, because an agreement had been made; but he agreed that no special agreement had been made with regard to the ground floor. "The owners would not make any repairs," continued plaintiff, "and I had to do it to keep the house together. The house was in such a state that the verandah fell down, and I eventually represented my case to the P.W.D. who compelled the owners to pay for repairs done."

Kwok Pui Cheung, manager of the defendant Company, said that the house was empty when it was bought, and he had personally arranged for the letting of the floors. The top floor was let to a Mr. Arnold at $150 inclusive of taxes, and the ground was let for $80. When Mr. Hargraves became tenant he paid $120, and he later took the ground floor at a rent of $92 per month.

Replying to Mr. Strellet, witness said that the house had been repaired, since it was bought.

Mr. Strellet, addressing his Lordship, said that a decision of Mr. Justice Gompertz in 1923 with regard to a somewhat similar case might be considered applicable to the present one. A man, who became tenant of a whole floor the rent for which was $35 a month, had sub-let one room for $77. The learned judge having referred to the history of apportionment in the Home Court, pointed out that there was no specific power in the Hongkong Court to effect the apportionment of standard rent. It was with evident regret that the learned judge had to come to that decision. Continuing, Mr. Strellet said that it was a serious omission in the Ordinance. He did not think that there could be any dispute as to the intention of the legislature, and as Mr. F. C. Jenkin had previously contended, it never intended allowing more rent to be paid for a part of the house than for the whole. The Court had an inherent power, based on equity, to apportion that which was payable by Statute, unless there was a definite contract between the parties.

His Lordship: Am I not bound by this decision? I think I am.

Mr. Strellett said he did not think so. He held that Mr. Justice Gompertz had assumed that because the Court exercised its power by Act of Parliament in England, the rule must be followed here. There was some underlying principle which governed such cases. The identification of the premises at present was exactly what it was previously.

Judgment was given for defendants with costs in both claims.

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THE HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 4A, DES VOEUX ROAD, on TUESDAY, 16TH FEBRUARY, 1926, at 12 o'CLOCK NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, 3RD FEBRUARY, to TUESDAY, 16TH FEBRUARY, 1926, both days inclusive, during which Period No Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
JOHN ARNOLD,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 26th January, 1926. [3121

NOTICE.

PROVINCE OF MACAO.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that on the 30TH INST. at 11 A.M. and before the Committee mentioned in Article 156 of the Regulation of the 3rd October, 1901, the Bidding will take place for the Exclusive Rights to establish the Game of FANTAN in MACAO, for the Period of FIVE YEARS, from the 1ST OF FEBRUARY, 1926, to 31ST OF JANUARY, 1931.

The basis for the Bidding will be $1,200,000 Per Annum, with the Reduction referred to in the § of the 1st of the Conditions, which will serve as the basis for the Definite Agreement.

No one will be permitted to Bid, unless he has presented a Document, showing that he has deposited with the Macao Branch of the BANCO NACIONAL ULTRAMARINO, the Sum of $120,000. This amount will be Returned to Unsuccessful Bidders.

The other Conditions may be seen in this TREASURY DEPARTMENT and also in the PORTUGUESE CONSULATE GENERAL at Hongkong.

PLINIO TINOCO,
Colonial Treasurer.
Macao, Treasury Department,
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Hongkong, 27th January, 1926. [3120

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HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

REMINDER.

ENTRIES CLOSE on SATURDAY 30TH JANUARY. [3116

HONGKONG POLO CLUB.

THE FINALS of the KOYLL CUP will be Played on SATURDAY, 30TH JANUARY, at 3 P.M., on the CLUB GROUND. The Match will be followed by the GYMKHANA Events given below:—

1.—PIG STICKING.
2.—THREAD & NEEDLE RACE.
3.—MUSICAL CHAIRS.
4.—BENDING RACE.
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Admission to the Match and Gymkhana is Open to Subscribers to the FAN LING HOUNDS, Members of the POLO CLUB and their Guests.

Tea will be served and Refreshments provided. [3088

FANLING HUNT RACES.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15TH, 1926.

ENTRIES for the STEEPLECHASE MEETING at FANLING RACE COURSE CLOSE on FEBRUARY 1ST to DR. F. PIERCE-GROVE, ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS.

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The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, 15TH JANUARY, to WEDNESDAY, 27TH JANUARY, both days inclusive, during which Period No Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
L. S. GREENHILL,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 7th January, 1926. [3056

THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that The TWENTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of this Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LTD., on THURSDAY, the 28TH JANUARY, 1926, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1925.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 20TH JANUARY, 1926, to THURSDAY, the 28TH JANUARY, 1926, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
F. H. CRAPNELL,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, 16th January, 1926. [3078

HONGKONG BOXING ASSOCIATION.

THEATRE ROYAL.

JANUARY 30TH, 1926, AT 9.15 P.M.

FIFTH TOURNAMENT OF THE SEASON.

MAIN EVENT:

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Optional Goods will be landed here unless Instructions have been given to the contrary Six hours before arrival of the Steamer.

Goods not cleared within 8 days, including date of arrival will be subject to Rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees, and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. GODDARD & DOUGLAS, at 10 A.M., on Mondays and Thursdays, within the Free Storage Period.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 12th February, 1926, or they will not be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown.

MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & CO.,
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Hongkong, 25th January, 1926. [3111

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BIRTH.

MCLEOD.—At Shanghai, on January 22nd, to Mr. and Mrs. A. MCLEOD, a son.

MARRIAGE.

ERICKSON—MANSFIELD.—At Shanghai, on January 16th, JOY, youngest daughter of the late J. J. MANSFIELD and Mrs. L. MANSFIELD, of Shanghai, to S. T. ERICKSON, of Wisconsin, U.S.A.

DEATH.

SILVA.—At Shanghai, on January 22nd, FRANCISCO XAVIER BASTO DA SILVA (DIDI), aged 36 years.

Hongkong Office: 1A, Chater Road.
London Office: 131, Fleet Street, E.C.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, JANUARY 27TH, 1926.

PROTECTION BY DEGREES IN BRITAIN.

THE Government majority in Parliament continue to extend their approval to Protection in the guise of the safeguarding of industries affected by foreign competition. Numerous trades have already secured themselves behind a tariff fence, and others are loudly clamouring for similar advantages. This "Backdoor to Protection," as the Free Traders describe it, is proving a severe test on the party loyalty of some Conservatives who are opposed to protective duties. There are so many industries eager to get themselves "safeguarded" that it is becoming a subject for ridicule. *Punch* recently poked fun at them in a cartoon representing a crowd of half-submerged skaters who have fallen through a hole in the ice and are struggling in the water. JOHN BULL stands on the bank throwing life belts to the outstretched hands, but he says if there are any more in need there won't be enough belts for all.

It simply means that, if continued long enough, the people of Great Britain will eventually realise that they are living in a Protectionist country. Mr. BALDWIN is under a solemn pledge not to introduce Protection without a mandate from the electorate at a General Election; but as things are going it cannot be said that he is keeping the pledge in spirit and in fact. It is not surprising that the average man considers that the Government are not playing the game, and it is predicted by some competent observers at home that these "safeguarding" chickens are certain to return to roost. Indeed, we can already perceive a strong element of discontent in several directions. The farmers for instance, are demanding protection, or a subsidy, or both. They want to know why they are left out in the cold when other industries are basking in the sunshine of State assistance. Agriculture, they urge, is a staple industry; in the last analysis the production of food is the most important industry in the country, but while the miners are granted millions because of adverse post-war circumstances they are refused a helping hand. The Government have already given Protection to many and various trades—the dye industry, lace-making, silk, motor cars, clocks, watches, musical instruments and films—but the British farmer cries that he has to face unrestricted world-competition when he sends his wheat to market.

But, of course, this is precisely what inevitably happens wherever a policy of Protection is pursued. It is customary in the United States where tariffs are "common objects of the seashore." A Government gains the gratitude of a few small groups of favoured manufacturers, but earns the ill-will of other sections of producers or traders whose claims are rejected or ignored. Intense jealousies and controversies are aroused among the conflicting interests. Regarding the whole subject with the sense of freedom and detachment conferred by a distance of ten thousand miles, we think the primary point of interest for English readers here is the probable consequences of the Government's policy. Are Mr. BALDWIN and his colleagues laying up for themselves a day of reckoning? If it be conceded that Britain is still definitely against Protection the answer to the question must be in the affirmative. The British people have been hostile to protective legislation for nearly a hundred years; and it may be recalled that at the General Election of 1923, when Mr. BALDWIN deliberately went to the country for a mandate to introduce Tariffs, his party sustained a smashing defeat. He enabled the Labour party to climb into office though not into power, but judging from the course of public discussion at home—especially the recent Safeguarding debates in Parliament—it appears tolerably certain that at the next General Election history will repeat itself with just this difference—that Labour will climb into office and also into power.

We are informed that it surprises good Conservatives why the Government should have embarked upon a policy of Protection by instalments. Apart from criticism of the Prime Minister on account of his pledge on this question there are further criticisms respecting the methods which have been pursued. The short story of this development may be recapitulated as it illustrates how politicians sometimes proceed along the mazy paths of tariff-making. Soon after getting into office the Government announced that no industries would be protected save through the avenue of an Act which they would pass for the Safeguarding of Industries. No such Act has been proposed or passed. But Mr. CHURCHILL introduced into his Budget, in violation of Mr. BALDWIN'S pledge to Parliament, a whole cluster of Protectionist duties, not only upon motor-cars, pianos, clocks, etc., but also on goods composed wholly or partly of silk and artificial silk, and upon foreign hops—in order, as the Free Traders declared, to raise the prices and the profits of hop-growers in Kent and Sussex. Then, instead of a Safeguarding Act, a White Paper was issued inviting applications from industries for safeguarding—that is to say, Protective tariffs. These applications were to be made to the Board of Trade, whose President, Sir P. CUNLIFFE-LISTER, is an enthusiastic Tariff Reformer. In this White Paper many conditions were *laid down which manufacturers applying* for Protection must fulfil. But the Board of Trade refuses all information about the industries which are appealing for "safeguarding" duties until it appoints a Committee. Not until the applicants have actually put in their evidence do the opponents know the nature of the case they have to meet. Even to be recognised as an opponent by the Board of Trade is not easy. The mere fact that a business may be ruined is no proof at all that those immediately threatened have the right to be heard. Merchants, importers, and customers, it is complained, do not count. Unless an objector is actually using the goods in question as a raw material in some further process of manufacture the Board of Trade will not listen to him. And so strife is engendered and kept alive, displaying in unpleasing guise confusion, acrimony, and personal interest.

H.M.S. *Tamar's* Dance.—It is requested that guests arriving in cars for the dance on H.M.S. *Tamar* this evening will enter the Dockyard by the Main Gate, leaving the Dockyard by the Prince of Wales' Gate, unless owners wish to park their cars on the Dockyard football ground. Cars arriving to take guests away should enter by the Prince of Wales' Gate and leave by the Main Gate. Late Peak trams will run at 12.45 a.m. and 1.35 a.m.—ADVT.

Yesterday was Australia Day.

The temperature at Shanghai at six o'clock yesterday morning was 25; while in Hongkong it was 57.

Intending competitors are reminded that entries for the H.K.C.C. lawn tennis tournament close on Saturday.

The northern part of Japan has been experiencing snowstorms this month which are described as the heaviest seen for 35 years.

There will be an auction of papers at the Helena May Institute on Thursday, January 28th, at 5 p.m. before the Musicale.—ADVT.

Disgusted by the constant kidnapping in Shanghai General Yen Chun Yang, Commissioner of Shanghai and Woosung Police, is devising drastic measures against such evils.

The Nan Yuan Golf Course in Peking was opened on January 17th, making the third links in Peking. The course at present numbers nine holes but arrangements have been already started to enlarge it to 18.

A Masonic service is to be held in St. John's Cathedral on Sunday at 6 p.m. Masonic clergy will conduct the service and the Right Rev. C. R. Duppuy, (Bishop of Victoria), who is himself a Mason, will preach.

"Command Orders" state that leave on private affairs has been granted to Major C. T. M. Smith, 5/2nd Punjabis Regiment, from February 1st, 1926, to January 31st, 1927; and to Lieut. G. C. Fawns, Royal Artillery, from April 15th, 1926, to October 15th, 1926.

We have been asked to mention that "two valuable Hongkong and Shanghai Bank notes" were found in Bowen Road at 6 p.m. on Monday. The owner who is able to give the numbers of the notes or correctly state the value of the notes may have them by applying to Mr. J. P. Viera Remedios, of 10, Morrison Gap Road, Happy Valley.

Mr. J. R. Nisbet, Chief Officer of the China Navigation Co.'s steamer *Tungchow*, when she was captured by pirates just before Christmas, was presented by the first-class passengers on the ship, at Tientsin recently with a gold luminous wrist watch which bore the following inscription on the back: "S.S. *Tungchow* Shanghai to Tientsin, *vid* Bias Bay and Hongkong. December, 1925."

A motion affirming "that bachelors should be liable to additional taxation" was the topic chosen for the debate at the first meeting of the recently formed Debating Society at the European Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, last night. There was an encouraging attendance of members and visitors and the subject was debated in a spirited and interesting manner, frequently interspersed with humour. The Rev. T. B. Powell, M.A., opened the case for the affirmative and Dr. C. W. Hollings was the first speaker for the opposition. Twelve voted for the motion and 27 against it. The Rev. J. Horace Johnston presided.

The eighth meeting of the Hongkong Garrison's Women's Fellowship took the form of a concert arranged by Mrs. Robert Lewis, at the Military Hospital, Bowen Road, last night. There was a large attendance, and the following took part:—Mrs. Neil Mathieson, Rev. G. E. Arrowsmith, Mr. R. M. Keown, Miss Alma Birkett, Major J. Macready, D.S.O., Mr. H. L. Gardner, Miss Gladys Brock, Mr. Bert Burrows, the "Hongkong Harmony Four" and an orchestra from the East Surreys. Mr. F. Mason, Band-Corpl. W. G. Wernham and Bandsman J. Fawkes accompanied.

GARDEN PARTY.

PLEASANT AFTERNOON AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

H.E. The Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.) renewed many old friendships and made many new ones at Government House yesterday afternoon, when he and Lady Clementi entertained no fewer than 1,200 guests at a tea party in the grounds.

The guests were met by Capt. Steele (A.D.C.) and walked through the house to be received by the Governor and Lady Clementi before passing to the lawn.

Capt. Steele was assisted by the following: Capt. H. B. L. Dowbiggin (Hon. A.D.C.) Capt. Swinton, Mr. L. V. H. Booth, Mr. E. Foster and Mr. Sayer.

Tables for tea were laid out on the lawn, and here a musical programme was given by the band of H.M.S. *Hawkins*. Dancing took place in the ballroom, music being supplied by the band of H.M.S. *Hermes*.

Amongst those who attended were the Admiral (Sir Edwyn Alexander-Sinclair, K.C.B., M.V.O.), and several Naval Officers, including H.R.H. Prince George, the General Officer Commanding the Troops (Major General C. C. Luard, C.B., C.M.G.), the Bishop of Victoria (the Right Rev. C. R. Duppuy) Commodore A. J. B. Stirling, Col. C. Russell Brown, D.S.O., Sir Henry Gollan, Sir Henry Pollock, Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, Members of the Legislative Council, the Consular Body, Father Robert, Lt.-Col. Montague Bates, Mr. W. W. Hornell and a large number of Chinese friends.

CABLE AND WIRELESS NEWS.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

THE BALDWIN GOVERNMENT.

PREMIER REVIEWS WHAT HAS BEEN ACHIEVED.

A FINE YEAR'S RECORD.

RUGBY, January 26th.

In his speech in London last night prior to departure for Scotland, the Prime Minister dealt with the record of Government during the past year and laid special emphasis on questions of local and national economy. He said that the past year had witnessed a notable advance in the European situation. The Dawes' plan had achieved initial success. It was of the greatest importance because it marked in Germany the definite achievement of two things—a balanced budget and stabilized currency. For the moment, German business was finding itself embarrassed by not unnatural credit stringency and they were face to face now with their own problem of unemployment. All hoped that this will pass, because it was realised now that we do not want poor neighbours but prosperous neighbours if the commerce of Europe is to progress. In France, conditions to-day exhibited a sharp contrast. There had been considerable decline in the exchange value of the franc and this was giving French industry new, though he believed, temporary advantage, in many competitive markets.

Britain had found in iron steel and coal what this meant; but their hope was that so far as they were concerned dislocation would be temporary.

In Italy, the past year had been one of steady progress and activity. General satisfaction had been caused by her settlement with America, on liberal terms, of her debt. He had every hope that the negotiations now proceeding between Italy and Britain will be brought to a successful issue. Perhaps the culminating point is in appreciation of Britain's political stock abroad was reached last month when the Treaty of Locarno was sealed in London. He was only too well aware that the spirit of Locarno had to be translated into continuous action; but it was in that spirit that they had sent Lord Cecil to Geneva to take part in the Disarmament Conference. Government realised the difficulty of that problem, but all were pledged by treaty to attempt it with sincerity and with frankness.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

ITALIAN DEBT TO U.K.

AGREEMENT NOW REACHED ON FUNDING SCHEME.

LONDON, January 25th.

An agreement has been reached on broad lines for funding the Anglo-Italian Debt. The Drafting Committee meets to-morrow to settle the points of details.

Both sides are silent as regards the terms of the Anglo-Italian debt settlement. Count Volpi interviewed by Reuter admitted that there was agreement on fundamental points, but tactfully evaded the question whether the agreement was satisfactory to Italy, and also how it compared with the American Settlement. But, well-informed circles are of opinion that annuities of four-and-a-half millions sterling will begin to be paid immediately.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

A FULL DISCUSSION.

RUGBY, January 25th.

Mr. Churchill, Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Count Volpi, Italian Minister of Finance, accompanied by their respective experts, met this afternoon. An official *communiqué* states that they discussed all outstanding questions in regard to the settlement of the Italian War Debt. A drafting committee will meet to-morrow morning and a further meeting of ministers will take place in the afternoon. There is every confidence, says the *communiqué*, that an agreement will be reached.

Count Volpi and other members of the Italian Debt Funding Commission were entertained at luncheon at the Merchant Tailors Hall, one of the ancient guilds of the City of London. Lord Revelstoke, the well-known banker, in proposing the health of Count Volpi, expressed his conviction that the negotiations on which His Excellency was engaged would result in strengthening and cementing the friendship and amity which, for so many generations, had united Great Britain and Italy.

Count Volpi, replying, said he could not tell what would be the conclusion of his conversations with the British Chancellor of the Exchequer, but the outcome could not be other than a fair and mutual recognition of their respective actual situations illuminated by the traditional friendship between the two countries.

COUNT VOLPI INTERVIEWED.

RUGBY, January 26th.

Confidence expressed in last night's *communiqué* that agreement as to terms on which the Italian War Debt would be settled was within sight was confirmed in a brief interview granted to the Press by Count Volpi at his hotel last night. He was asked if figures of settlement had been determined and replied: "As to the principal yes; and there may be a few changes before we settle definitely."

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

LIBERALS AND LABOUR.

MR. HENDERSON IN REPLY TO MR. LLOYD GEORGE.

RUGBY, January 26th.

Mr. Arthur Henderson, in a speech at Burnley yesterday, replied to Mr. Lloyd George's recent speech, on the question of a suggested alliance between the Liberal and Labour parties, Mr. Arthur Henderson said that whatever happened the Labour Party would not purchase Liberal support by the betrayal of its principles, the lowering of its ideals or by the multilation of its programme.

FRANCO-BRITISH DISCUSSION.

SIR AUSTEN CHAMBERLAIN TO MEET FRENCH PREMIER.

RUGBY, January 26th.

Reports from Paris state that, while passing through Paris on his return journey from Rappallo to London, Sir Austen Chamberlain will confer with the French Premier, M. Briand. It is assumed that conversations will cover various outstanding questions, such as German disarmament measures and the German request for a reduction of the army of occupation. The French newspapers are discussing the likelihood of a postponement of the preparatory conference on general disarmament which is scheduled to meet at Geneva under the auspices of the League of Nations on February 15th. Although no wish for postponement has been expressed by the British Government, who are in readiness to proceed with the work of the conference, it would doubtless agree if such a course appeared desirable.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PREMIER'S WARNING.

MR. BALDWIN ON THE NEED FOR ECONOMY.

LONDON, January 25th.

Mr. Baldwin, in a speech at the Unionist Association dinner in London, said unless great economies were secured, an increase in taxation this year or next, whatever Government was in power, would be inevitable. The Premier thankfully noted hopeful signs in trade improvement and declared that economies must be made involving sacrifices not only in luxuries but in things almost within the category of necessities. He stated that the eyes of their opponents were fixed more on spending rather than on saving, and the Government would need the stoutest support of all its friends.

The foregoing came at the conclusion of a speech claiming a record year for legislation and enumerating the satisfactory measures for settling foreign and domestic difficulties in which social reform had a prominent place.

SIR ALFRED MOND.

SEVERS HIS CONNECTION WITH THE LIBERAL PARTY.

LONDON, January 25th.

Sir Alfred Mond has severed his connection with the Liberal party.

In a letter written to Lord Oxford and Asquith, announcing the decision, Sir Alfred Mond says that all his efforts to revivify and reorganise the Liberal forces have been rendered hopeless by the introduction of Mr. Lloyd George's land policy which has produced a new and profound cleavage in the Liberal ranks. Sir Alfred announces his intetion to join a party with which he feels he can most usefully co-operate, namely, the Conservatives.

STEAMER DISABLED.

S.S. "MEDAN" SEEKS SHELTER AT GIBRALTAR.

GIBRALTAR, January 26th.

The Dutch steamer *Medan*, from Sourabaya bound for New York, has put in here. The vessel is making water at the rate of six inches an hour.

A SEVERE EARTHQUAKE.

INTERFERES WITH AMERICAN RADIO TESTS.

PERTH, January 26th.

A severe earthquake was recorded here at 8.45 a.m. yesterday. It is estimated to have been 2,300 miles away. A Sydney message says that a severe earthquake was recorded there at 10.41 a.m. yesterday. It was estimated to be 1,750 miles away, probably in the Solomon Islands.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

RADIO TESTS HAMPERED.

NEW YORK, January 26th.

Despite interferences, caused by S.O.S. calls from the British steamer *Laristan*, which has been abandoned off Halifax, and which caused all American stations to suspend transmissions until 10.30 p.m.—and by the earthquake which caused fading, last night's opening of the third international broadcasting test is declared by the Radio Week Committee to have been a greater success than the first night of radio week last year.

At least 1,200 listeners are already known to have heard music from England.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

NO RAILWAY STRIKE.

BRITISH WORKERS DECIDE TO ACCEPT THE AWARD.

LONDON, January 25th.

The critical negotiations between the representatives of the railway companies and the N.U.R. opened at Euston this morning with regard to the Union's demands that the Companies should agree not to operate the clause of the Award of the National Wages Board providing that new entrants after February 1st will be paid only basic rates without the cost of living bonus, and also a demand that the existing standard basic rates, which are generally one hundred per cent. above pre-war rates, will be declared an irreducible minimum. Several branches of the Union have already passed a resolution in favour of a national strike if the Union's demands are refused. At the conclusion of the negotiations the Companies submitted a memorandum which the Delegate Conference of Railwaymen will consider.

LATER.

At to-day's negotiations, the Railway Companies declined to concede the points raised by the Railwaymen's Union, and pointed out that they had accepted the findings of the Wages Board which the Union had repudiated for the second time after the Union's representatives had signed the report. The Companies intimated that if the Union persisted in this attitude they would be obliged seriously to consider their attitude towards the Wages Board machinery, which was being rendered "futile and farcical."

NO STRIKE.

A subsequent meeting of the railwaymen's delegates, decided by a narrow majority not to call a strike but to accept the award of the Wages Board.

TRIUMPH FOR MR. THOMAS.

Passionate speeches were delivered by both sides at the railwaymen's conference when debating the motion for a definite strike on Friday, when was ultimately rejected by 41 votes to 36. The outcome is regarded as a triumph for Mr. J. H. Thomas, who throughout strove to uphold the prestige of the Wages Board.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

THE MEN'S OBJECTIONS.

RUGBY, January 25th.

Perhaps at the meeting between representatives of the Railway Companies and of the National Union of Railwaymen which will be held this morning there will be a full discussion of the objections raised by the men to the award of the National Wages Board.

As explained in previous messages, the men object to the finding of the National Wages Board that men hereafter joining the railway service, and not promoted, shall receive only the basic rate of service and men promoted shall receive only the basic wage of grades to which they are appointed without the cost of living bonus, and they ask for an assurance that railway companies will accept the basic rates as an irreducible minimum.

The exact tenor of the Railway Companies' reply has not been announced.

At a conference of railwaymen's delegates this afternoon two resolutions were moved. One resolution was for refusing to accept the award and declaring a strike for next Friday; the other was for acceptance of award. By a very narrow majority the resolution accepting the award was adopted. It would appear therefore that the railway crisis is over.

A STRAIGHT ISSUE.

RUGBY, January 26th.

The railwaymen's decision to accept the award of the National Wages Board was carried at last night's meeting of the National Union of Railwaymen by 41 votes to 36. The issue was a straight one and the non-acceptance of the award would have involved the Union in a strike; for the Railway Companies at a conference held earlier in the day had made it clear that they intended to give effect to the Board's decision. The reply of the Companies to the men's representations stated that they themselves had been intensely disappointed at the finding of the Board in view of the financial condition of their undertakings. It added that the unions had brought forward no new considerations and that to re-open the case would strike at the root of collective bargaining.

Mr. J. H. Thomas, in a speech last night, declared that he was satisfied he had not made a mistake in advocating peace. The railway strike would definitely have put the clock back at a time when the country had passed through the worst stages of the depression and when there were prospects of prospersity reviving. He added that he was proud he had succeeded in his pacific endeavours for he believed he had done the right thing for the railwaymen and for the country.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SPANISH AVIATORS.

LAS PALMAS, January 25th.

The Spanish aviators, flying to South America have arrived at Gando, Canary Isles.

OBITUARY.

ADMIRAL MARRACK.

LONDON, January 26th.

The death is announced of Admiral Marrack.

SIKH EXTREMISTS.

LEADERS GIVE NECESSARY BOND RE SHRINES.

DELHI, January 25th.

The last vestiges of opposition to the Shrines Management Act has now subsided, twenty of the principal leaders of the Sikh extremists on trial giving the necessary undertaking to work the Act and refrain from direct action as regards shrines. Consequently they have been acquitted.

WORLD DISARMAMENT.

GERMANY ACCEPTS INVITATION TO CONFERENCE.

BERLIN, January 25th.

The Cabinet has decided to accept the League of Nations' invitation to Germany to participate in the preliminary Disarmament Conference.

FOOTBALL AT HOME.

RESULT OF LATEST LEAGUE MATCHES.

LONDON, January 25th.

The following the results of matches played to-day in the English League:—

DIVISION III. (SOUTH).

Merthyr, 4; Crystal Palace, 0.

DIVISION III. (NORTH).

Rochdale, 3; Southport, 1.
Walsall, 3; Halifax, 1.

TENNIS AT THE CAPE.

CAPE TOWN, January 25th.

At the end of the first day of the third and final lawn tennis test match, South Africa led Britain by four matches to one. Britain won the first and drew the second test.

LADIES AT TENNIS.

MISS HELEN WILLS WINS ON RIVIERA.

CANNES, January 25th.

Playing on the Riviera, Miss Helen Wills won the Metropole Tournament singles, defeating Mademoiselle Vlaston by 3-6, 7-5.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

U.S. WIGHTMAN CUP TEAM.

NEW YORK, January 25th.

It is understood that Miss Ryan has been selected with Miss Helen Wills to represent the United States against England in the Wightman Cup singles. No other definite selections have been made though it is expected that Miss Brown will be Captain with Mrs. Mallory and Mrs. Goss as members.

THE WORLD COURT.

KU KLUX KLAN OPPOSED TO AMERICAN PARTICIPATION.

WASHINGTON, January 25th.

The Senate by 68 votes to 26 has adopted a motion for the closure, thus ensuring that the final vote on the question of adherence to the World Court will be taken within a few days.

KU KLUX KLAN OPPOSED.

To-day's debate was led by Senator Robinson who, retorting to interruptions, said that the whole of the Ku Klux Klan was opposed to American membership of the World Court.

Senator Robinson in this connection mentioned Senator Reed but the latter promptly denied that he was in anywise concerned with the Klan, nor had he any knowledge of its relation to the question.

The House passed the Navy Appropriation Bill, providing for the expenditure of approximately three hundred million dollars.

COLONEL MITCHELL.

PRESIDENT COOLIDGE MODIFIES COURTMARTIAL SENTENCE.

WASHIGTON, January 26th.

President Coolidge has modified the courtmartial sentence on Colonel Mitchell. He has ruled that Colonel Mitchell shall receive full army allowance and half-pay, amounting to $397 per month, during his suspension.

GOLF IN FLORIDA.

NEW YORK, January 25th.

Playing at St. Petersburg, Florida, Walter Hagon and Gilbert Nichols beat Archie Compston and Arnaud Massy by three up and two to play.

Messrs. Scott & Bowne, Ltd., London, manufacturers of the well-known preparation, Scott's Emulsion (for whom Messrs. Shewan Tomes & Co. are local agents) are issuing a Scroll in place of the conventional calendar. The Scroll is a reproduction of a portrait of a carp attributed to Tang Ying, the famous artist of the Ming Dynasty. It depicts, in deeply soft-toned inks and delicate gold tones with light gradations predominating, a carp leaping the waves by moonlight and seeming to fulfil the old Chinese proverb "A carp may at a single leap ascend the Dragon Gate and become a dragon." The subject is a peculiarly happy choice, for the carp is looked upon as an omen of prosperity and good fortune and takes a prominent part in welcoming the God of Wealth during the Chinese New Year festivities. Copies of this work of art may be obtained from local dispensaries and stores by all purchasers of Scott's Emulsion.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SOVIET AND CHINA.

TERMS OF AGREEMENT SIGNED AT MUKDEN.

PEKING, January 26th.

According to Russian reports the Chang Tso Lin and Soviet Agreement was signed at Mukden on Sunday night. The terms follow:

Firstly, release of M. Ivanoff and others.

Secondly, restoration of normal traffic.

Thirdly, cost of Chinese military transportation to be paid from China's share of the C.E.R. profits.

Fourthly, military transportation to be in accordance with the Railway's regulations.

Fifthly, compensation for damages and losses to the Railway, through the incident, and also other claims to be considered later.

SETTLEMENT IS REACHED.

PEKING, January 26th.

The Russian Embassy states that M. Ivanoff has been released. It is also stated that a satisfactory agreement, regarding the transportation of Chinese troops, has been reached between Marshal Chang Tso Lin and the Soviet Consul-General at Mukden.

A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT.

Moscow, January 25th.

A semi-official message gives the text of an agreement signed by the Russian Consul-General at Mukden and the Chinese Foreign Commissar for the Three Eastern Provinces whereby "a peaceful settlement of the dispute regarding the Eastern Railway may be considered assured."

The agreement provides for the release of those arrested and lays down conditions for the future administration of the line, including the transportation of armies.

NEW AMERICAN GUNBOATS.

CHINESE GOVERNMENT CONCERN OBTAINS CONTRACT.

SHANGHAI, January 26th.

Although in excess of the offers of two well-known British yards here, the tender of the Kiangnan Dock and Engineering Works (a Chinese Government concern) to build the six new American gunboats, whose construction Congress recently authorised, at $154,000 (gold) per vessel has been accepted.

The Shanghai Dock and Engineering Company tendered $107,500 (gold) and the New Engineering and Shipbuilding Works tendered Tls. 184,000.

BOXING INDEMNITY MISSION.

FAREWELL TIFFIN TO BRITISH MEMBERS.

LONDON, January 25th.

The Chinese Minister, at a farewell luncheon to Dame Anderson and Professor Soothill, said that the public in China would support any decision reached by the mission, whose work was bound to improve Anglo-Chinese relations.

BRITISH WAR MEDALS.

A CHINA COAST OFFICER'S CLAIM FOR REWARD.

GUILD'S ENQUIRIES.

Writing from his ship on the China Coast to one of the Imperial Merchant Service Guild agencies, an officer recently put the following enquiry, says *The Journal of Commerce*:—

"I would be obliged if you would inform me if I am entitled to a medal for mine-sweeping operations, clearing enemy mines between April, 1918, and March, 1919, in Indian waters, and, if so, how do I get possession of it?"

As the position in regard to a case such as this appears to be somewhat obscure so far as existing regulations on decorations for mine-sweeping operations are concerned, the society addressed an enquiry to the Medal Branch of the Admiralty on the subject. The reply which has been received is to the effect that certain awards are made for mine-sweeping, and if, in this and any future cases, the claimant would supply his name, rank, and ship while serving, with full particulars of the area swept, supporting his claim as far as practicable by copies of any relevant certificates, or by the names of senior officers to whom reference could be made, if necessary, for confirmation of the service claimed, it would facilitate investigation. At the same time the Guild made enquiries as to what the position now is in reference to the issue of clasps to the British war medal, as announced some years ago. The reply is to the effect that the issue of these clasps remains suspended for the time being.

In the case in which a Chinese was charged with cutting and wounding another with a chopper in a tea house, Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Magistracy found prisoner guilty, and fined him $50, or, in default, one month's imprisonment with hard labour.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

On a charge of misconduct in the carrying out of his duties, an Indian constable was charged at the Central Magistracy yesterday and remanded for three days under medical observation.

A Chinese found guilty of stealing an overcoat from the shop of his employer, in Wellington Street, was ordered by Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy yesterday, to receive eight strokes with the birch.

At the Central Magistracy yesterday, a Chinese was sentenced to three months' hard labour, for the theft of goods valued at $500 from a merchant at No. 123, Connaught Road. Mr. F. X. d'Almada prosecuted.

A Chinese was fined $75 at the Central Magistracy yesterday for keeping an opium divan. The smokers, who did not appear, suffered estreatment of their bail of $3 for failing to appear in Court. The opium was secreted in a small pocket sewn on a towel.

A Chinese coolie was sentenced to ten days' hard labour and ordered to pay $5 compensation, for having assaulted a Chinese stall-holder. Evidence was given to the effect that defendant knocked the complainant down and then jumped on him.

News reach Shanghai last week, of the death in California of Mr. K. K. Johnsen, who until a couple of years ago was one of the best-known pilots in Shanghai, and a very senior member of the service. Mr. Johnsen belonged to a very well-known family in Norway, and was trained for the Norwegian Navy.

Sir John Anthony Tilley, new British Ambassador to Tokyo, who left London on January 8th, is expected to arrive in Japan about the middle of February. Sir Charles Eliot, the retiring Ambassador, will leave Kobe on February 4th by the N.Y.K. s.s. *Kashima Maru* for Home and will meet his successor in China.

Mr. W. N. Dunn, who was in the British Consular Service in Siam from 1897 to 1917, being latterly Consul at Singora, and for a short time in Saigon, and then Consul-General in Batavia, getting his appointment at Cologne as Consul-General, something like five years ago, is engaged to be married to Kathleen, daughter of the Rev. A. M. Fosbrooke, of Gailey Vicarage.

The strike of 4,600 operatives at Messrs. Jardine, Matheson's Yangtszepoo cotton mill at Shanghai has been settled. The workers have agreed to resume, it is understood, on the assurance that the relatives of the man who was falsely alleged to have died as the result of injuries sustained when assaulted by one of the Company's watchmen, receives compensation, and that in future workmen are to be protected from any such assaults.

Several Chinese papers confidently announce to their readers, the *N.-C. Daily News* says, that Dr. C. T. Wang, the Foreign Minister, has delegated the Commissioner of Foreign Affairs at Shanghai to enter into negotiations in Shanghai to bring about the settlement of the May 30th incident. As usual this is understood to mean as well that the questions of municipal roads in Chinese territory and the rendition of the Mixed Court will be discussed.

Mr. N. E. B. Ezra is suing "The China Press" Inc. at Shanghai for Tls. 70,000 for alleged libel. Plaintiff, who is described in the petition as a *protégé* of the Kingdom of Spain, complains that on February 15th, 1925, defendants maliciously composed, edited and published of and concerning himself a defamatory editorial. The defence is that the editorial was fair comment without malice and defendant deny that plaintiff suffered damage in the sum claimed or in any sum whatever.

In a message to Dr. C. T. Wang, the new Minister of Foreign Affairs, the Anti-Opium Association asks him to render his assistance to the suppression of the poppy-raising in Tung-on, Fukien. "On January 17th," the statement commences, "Colonel Yin Shing Heng with his men and Wu Liang Peh, superintendent of poppy cultivation, went into the interior of Tung-on Hsien, Fukien, to force the poor farmers to pay an unbearable duty on the poppies cultivated. As last season was poor, villagers could not pay. For this reason the soldiers fired on the crowds, killing three and seriously wounded many more."

PROPERTY SALE.

CENTRAL DISTRICT PROPERTY BOUGHT IN.

At Messrs. Lammert Brothers' saleroom yesterday afternoon two lots of property in the Central district were put up, by order of the mortgagee.

One lot was Marine Lot No. 345, together with No. 119 Connaught Road Central and No. 237, Des Voeux Road Central (area 2,240 square feet, Crown rent, $42).

The second lot was Marine Lot No. 346, together with No. 120 Connaught Road Central and No. 239, Des Voeux Road Central (area 2,228 square feet, Crown rent, $42).

The property was started at $200,000, and was advanced by bids of one thousand and two thousand dollars at a time until the figure of $271,000 was reached. Failing further bids, the property was bought in, the reserve price not having been reached.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

SEATHOLDERS' AND SUBSCRIBERS' MEETING.

The annual meeting of seatholders and subscribers to St. John's Cathedral, took place yesterday evening in the Church Hall, under the chairmanship of the Bishop of Victoria (the Right Rev. C. R. Duppuy).

The Rev. T. B. POWELL (Chaplain) read his report, which was as follows:—

It might not be altogether a complete distortion of Dryden's phrase to describe the last year in the annals of the Cathedral as a minor "annus mirabilis." However, it can be claimed that some, perhaps, unexpected progress was made in many directions, and that various experiments met with a certain measure of success. For a Cathedral is a living organisation and unless it possesses a spirit of growth and prayer, and contains what is known as a religious atmosphere there is not much hope for it, and but little value in the eyes of God or man. And so, although we are wrong to look for spiritual results, it is essential that we place the things of the spirit first, and that above all we regard the Cathedral as a House of Prayer and a kind of central Power house for the religious work of the diocese.

The season of Lent marked a distinct step forward owing to the daily celebrations and the helpful services conducted by the military chaplain. The Church Council which came into being after the annual meeting of last year, was able to advise the Church Body on various matters of importance—it is good to note that two Chinese are now members of the Council. The councillors, at a later stage, drafted out reports on the various activities of the Cathedral, and made suggestions which will be put into fuller practice when the times are more propitious.

WORK OF WOMEN'S GUILD.

A good deal of sound work was accomplished by members of the Women's Guild, and it is owing principally to their efforts that the Cathedral is now in such a well-kept condition. There must be many women in the colony who feel the endless strain of enforced leisure—it should be remembered that the Women's Guild will give them a warm welcome and some admirable work to do. Considerable progress has been made in the refurnishing of the Cathedral—noticeably in the Lady Chapel—but on general improvements and refurnishing it would be easy to spend an additional thirty thousand dollars. The new organ casing is a distinct asset, and the proposed additional scheme for the chancel, a plan of which is hung on the west door, will add much to its beauty. The C.E.M.S. has been active in many ways, and was responsible for a series of public lectures during the winter months.

The services of the Cathedral have tended to improve and the congregations have increased. A considerable debt of gratitude is owed to the members of the choir and the organist; and to the clergy who have gladly given their valuable help in the absence of the senior chaplain. Several congregational singing practices have been held, and although surprise was felt at this innovation, chiefly because no authority could be found for it in the Old Testament, the improvement in the congregational singing has been noticeable—though in this respect we have far to travel. We were glad to welcome the R.A.O.B., the Scouts and Guides, and hope that this year several services for Chinese in their own language may be held. A start has been made with the Children's Corner, and a lending library, under the auspices of the C.E.M.S. and Women's Guild will be open in Lent. It is to be hoped most devoutly that the time may soon come when the finances of the Cathedral will allow the present system of new-rents to be changed—all seats should, of course, be free and unappropriated.

It is perhaps permissable to make a special note of the Church Body, and to congratulate its members on their admirable, painstaking and exacting work during a difficult period. In this connection we record with regret the death of Mr. Job Witchell and Mr. Denman Fuller, both of whom for many years were valuable members. The congregation is deeply indebted to the Church Body for services of high value freely and willingly given. With an added spirit of prayer, of brotherliness, and comradeship in the work of Christ, the Cathedral may confidently look forward to a year of real spiritual growth.

THE TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

Presenting his statement for the year, the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. J. OWEN HUGHES, said:—It is always gratifying to a Treasurer to be able to present his Yearly Accounts as shewing a Credit, instead of a Debit Balance. You will notice from the Statement in your hands, that we began the year with a deficit of $9,742.32, but I am glad to say this was observed by our generous benefactor, Sir Paul Chater, who at once sent a cheque for $9,000.

During the year under review, the Chater Endowment Fund originally of £25,000, has been converted into an account, and by Sir Paul's further generosity the fund has been increased to a round sum of $250,000. The Trustees of the fund have invested the money locally and the result is much to the advantage of the Cathedral Funds. The full benefit of the change, however, is not fully apparent, as the transfer was not made till April last. The next Balance Sheet will show that from this Fund alone, there will be an income of close upon $20,000.

We also received during the year a sum of £2,000 from the Bowdler's Bequest—which appears in the accounts as $17,872.94, and this together with the item of $16,000 formerly standing to the credit of Assistant Chaplain's Fund, together with surpluses of other separate accounts are now invested in a mortgage making a round figure of $40,000, from which will be derived an annual income of $3,600.

Estimating our normal expenditure for the coming year to be about the same as the last,—namely about $26,250, and our normal receipts to be about the same (with the addition of the increased revenue on Chater's Endowment Fund), there should be a satisfactory credit balance at the close of the present year.

THE CATHEDRAL ORGAN.

As you are aware, serious defects were found in the organ some time ago, and drastic measures had to be taken to put it in order. Fortunately, we had in the Colony, Mr. Blackett, the organ builder, who has for a long time taken such a keen interest in it, and it was decided he should proceed at once with the work of reconditioning those parts which were affected by climatic and other causes, and, as you will have observed from the work already done, some of the pipes have been brought out from the enclosed space into which the organ was originally erected, and the plans which are now on view shews the complete scheme for the new organ casing extending to the Chancel front, in addition to that portion partly constructed in the Transept. These plans, and the work observable at present only show a small portion of the work that is to be done, the greater, and more important part being of an internal nature, and was dealt with at our last annual meeting, but the Church Body felt, that having the services of Mr. Blackett available, it was better whilst about it, to have the whole scheme put in hand at the same time and the total cost is estimated to be about $14,000 and when completed it is asserted by several people, we shall have in this Cathedral an organ second to none East of Suez.

OTHER CHURCH MATTERS.

A special appeal was made last year to meet this extraordinary expenditure, to which a very generous response has been already made, but this would have been much greater were it not for events that have taken place in this Colony since June last and no further attempts have been made to secure contributions; but members of the Church Body feel quite confident that when conditions improve in the Colony generally, when the work is completed, and the public given an opportunity to hear, and see what will be to all intents a new and a much better organ—no difficulty will be experienced in collecting the amount required. Meantime as you will observe, $6,000 has already been paid on this account.

Comparative figures with last year shew that collections for Church expenses are $50 down. Donations are $21 less; Pew Rents, $137 more; Wedding Fees, $47 less; and Interest, $147 more.

Regarding donations you will notice we have received from one large office in the Colony a sum of $350. This is made up of monthly donations from 5 or 6 gentlemen in this Company, and I would strongly recommend that the staffs of other large concerns be approached by someone interested in the work of the Church for similar small monthly donations the Church Body would be greatly helped in obtaining what is striven for—a steady income.

Special collections are about the same as last year and you will notice a new item "special furnishing" which represents the result of a special appeal made towards the cost of renewing the hassocks, etc., and you will agree the result is evident from the much brighter and cleaner appearance of the Cathedral.

The Actors' Church Union received a donation as usual, the money having been collected by Mr. Powell.

The Sunday School sent £50 home for a crippled boy and also supports two Chinese children in the Victoria Home.

LAY MEMBERS ELECTED.

Six lay members of the Church Body were elected as follows:—Messrs. A. H. Compton, L. Forster, W. L. Pattenden (Hon. Sec.), P. S. Cassidy, J. A. E. Bullock and Colonel T. R. Robertson.

Proposed by Mr. PATTENDEN and seconded by Mr. CASSIDY, Mr. A. O. Blaker was appointed auditor.

THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

The BISHOP expressed his gratitude to Mr. Powell for the keen and efficient way he had carried on the work at the Cathedral during the past troublous months. Secondly, they also felt that they must express their gratitude to Mr. F. Mason, the organist for his help. They also had to thank Mr. Blackett. The scheme for the renovation of the organ was going on satisfactorily and they hoped it would be seen through in spite of hard times. They also felt a deep debt of gratitude to Lady Pollock and those who worked with her in keeping the Cathedral in a most excellent state. He also expressed thanks to the Church Council and the Church Body, as busy business men who spared hours of their leisure to give advice on Cathedral matters. He had particularly to thank Mr. Pattenden and Mr. Owen Hughes.

The Bishop then referred to the Fukien Cathedral at Foochow, now in the course of erection. When the Bishop of Fukien was passing through here a short while ago, he had a conversation with him and Mr. Powell and they thought that, as the Mother Church of the Diocese, they should make some gift towards the new building. It was 20 years ago since Foochow was separated from this diocese. It was hoped that the new Cathedral would be consecrated at the next general Synod of the Chinese Church and as Bishop, he would like to feel that they had made some little gift and wished them God speed.

Another point was that some of those present might be going Home before this coming summer and it might interest them to know that at the next re-union of the Victoria Diocesan Association, a former Governor of Hongkong, Sir Frederick Lugard, was to take the chair. This was to be on June 2nd at the Victory House, Leicester Square, London.

They entered on a new year, the course of which none could foresee, but they prayed God that there was going to be prosperity in China, in the world and in the Colony of Hongkong. They hoped and trusted that the rich blessing of God was going to rest on the ministration in this Cathedral Church and he thought to this end it was probable that this coming winter they would have a visit from the Mission of Help, which was postponed from last year. The Mission was not only to Hongkong, but to all English speaking congregations in China.

The Bishop then pronounced the benediction and the meeting closed.

SOVIET'S SECRET POLICY.

STORY OF BRIBE TO FENG YU HSIANG.

TO WRECK CHANG TSO LIN.

MUKDEN, January 13th.

A Japanese owned newspaper published in Chinese, the *Shen Ching Sze Pao*, gives the following details of a reported secret treaty entered into between General Feng Yu Hsiang and Comrade Karakhan:—

"1. The Soviet Government is to furnish Feng Yu Hsiang with $5,000,000 as a war chest and a certain amount of munitions to be transferred to Kuo Sung Ling by Feng. After Chang Tso-Lin is overthrown Russia is to enjoy special privileges in Manchuria.

"When Kuo revolted, the military conference held by the Soviet military leaders at Moscow decided to move troops to the frontier there to await orders to occupy the Chinese Eastern Railway zone. It is fortunate that Kuo was killed and that Chang Tso Lin recovered, otherwise Manchuria would have been Bolshevized. Because Manchuria is within the Japanese sphere of special influence Feng was denied freedom of movement, but apparently he hoped by Japan and Russia becoming embroiled to take advantage of the situation and expand his influence.

"2. It is agreed to recognize the independence of Outer Mongolia in order that it may serve as a buffer state between Russia and China. A separate and new agreement is to be entered into by China, Russia and Mongolia.

"By the unexpected defeat of Kuo the strength of the Kuominchun has been reduced and the agreement cannot be carried into effect. The financing party has repeatedly asked for a guarantee for the refund of the money advanced, and Feng is hard pressed. If Hsu forms a cabinet he will insist upon portfolios being given to C. T. Wang, Huang Fu and other members of the Min Tang in order that they may work with the Bolsheviks. Such lunatics ought not to be allowed to live," the paper declares in conclusion.—*Reuter.*

N.Y. CHAMBER AND CHINA.

IMPORTANT RESOLUTIONS ON TREATY REVISION.

COUNTRY WITHOUT PRACTICAL GOVERNMENT.

COVENANTS ESSENTIAL TILL ORDER REGAINED.

So much is being published now-a-days, purporting, though erroneously, to express the views of responsible Americans on the questions of tariff autonomy and revision of the extra-territorial treaties, that it is especially interesting and important to know the views of responsible American business interests in America upon these points.

The following matter is taken from the November Bulletin of the Chamber of Commerce of the State of New York, which is one of the most, if not the most, powerful and influential commercial bodies in the United States to-day.

The condition of affairs now existing and that has existed for some time past in China challenges the attention of the world, not only because it disastrously affects the Chinese people but because it vitally affects international relationships, world commerce and economic conditions.

A SEMBLANCE OF GOVERNMENT.

A semblance of diplomatic relations with China has been maintained, although for several years there has been only the form rather than the substance of a national government there, and diplomatic representatives of other nations have been sent to a place where a national Central Government formerly existed but where such in fact does not now exist, having been disrupted by the conflicts of military Governors of various provinces who have seized arbitary power over large sections of the country and in effect have created insurrection and civil war.

To-day portions of the Chinese people, apparently with the approval of the semblance of Government at Peking, are demanding the revision or abrogation of existing treaties which secure to foreigners the right to the protection of life and property under the laws of their own countries and demand also tariff autonomy and the administration of their customs receipts which have been pledged as security for loans made to China by other nations.

The treaties now sought to be amended or denounced were negotiated to meet actual needs and are more necessary under the conditions existing to-day than at any time since the establishment of extra-territorial rights.

AN UNTHINKABLE SURRENDER.

When China has established a national Central Government commanding the allegiance, confidence and respect of its own people, with power to protect foreigners within its borders and to administer justice under an established code of laws, it is not to be doubted that the nations will then agree to revise present treaties and to meet the reasonable views of such a responsible Government.

In the absence of such competent protection it is unthinkable that the present safeguards should be surrendered and this declaration applies equally to the established grant of extraterritorial rights and to the foreign administration of the Customs Service.

China is an enormous country possessing a heritage of ancient traditions and civilization of great repute and millions of people capable of developing a great future. Its potential wealth and power are of enormous importance to the rest of the world.

It is therefore a matter of profound concern to other nations that a condition of dissension and disrupted government exists which jeopardizes vital interests of other friendly nations and prevents a development in China of which both the country and its people are capable.

A GREAT OPPORTUNITY.

Whereas, The United States have always held an attitude of friendship toward China, and have given frequent evidence by friendly acts of a sincere desire to be of assistance to that great nation; and

Whereas, The friends of the Chinese people look forward to the day when that people shall establish a national government which they will support and whose authority they will recognize, and thereby may take their place in the family of nations on terms of unquestioned independence; therefore, be it

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A GREAT CRICKETER.

DEATH OF MR. A. N. HORNBY.

In chronicling the death of Mr. A. N. Hornby, the famous Lancashire cricket captain, who died very suddenly, a London paper says:—

The late Albert Neilson Hornby, known to his intimates as "Monkey," was a great cricketer, a glorious Rugby footballer, one of the oldest riders to hounds in Cheshire, a clever shot, and a man who had a terrible pair of fists, writes Mr. J. A. H. Catton.

He had the honour of being captain of England in both Test and Rugby football international matches, a distinction confined to a very small minority.

"MONKEY" AND "MAN FRIDAY."

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R. G. Barlow, who went in first with Hornby for nearly 20 years, was known as "Man Friday," and their partnership, sometimes tragic sometimes comic, always held the interests of the ring, because no man on earth ever knew what Hornby would do, and what would happen to Barlow. Their association has been immortalised in the poem of Francis Thompson in the refrain:—

As the run stealers flicker to and fro,
To and fro;
O my Hornby and my Barlow long ago.

LITTLE CRICKET WONDER.

Mr. Hornby came from an old family of Lancashire cotton lords associated with Blackburn and was sent to Harrow School. He played in the great match at Lord's against Eton in 1864, when his weight, with bat and ball in the scale, was under six stone. His batting on that occasion earned for him the description of a little cricket wonder.

Mr. Hornby was elected a member of the M.C.C. in 1872, and went to America with R. A. FitzGerald's cricket team in that year, and also visited Australia with Lord Harris's team in 1878-9. He took part in three Test matches against Australia, but was never on the winning side, and it will be recalled he was the captain at the Oval when Australia won by 7 runs in August, 1882.

In the same year he captained the English Rugby XV. against Scotland at Manchester. As a Rugby player he was capped nine times, and played at half-back, three-quarter, and full back.

Probably the most curious accomplishment of Mr. Hornby was that he could play cricket left-handed or right-handed, so ambidextrous was he, and he could kick a Rugby football accurately with either foot.

LIFE'S ADVENTURE.

MR. JEROME K. JEROME'S ADVICE TO BOYS.

The Christmas breaking-up at St. Marylebone Grammar School was made particularly delightful for the boys by an unexpected visit from Mr. Jerome K. Jerome, one of the school's distinguished old boys. With amusing reminiscences of bygone London from a schoolboy's point of view, he led up to a cheerful heart-to-heart talk with the boys.

Addressing them simply as "a traveller homeward bound from a long journey hailing those about to set out," life was, he said, an interesting country, with plenty of fun and adventure and good friends, but involving hard work and the crossing of hard places.

Mr. Jerome urged the boys to practice their own judgment and not to believe all that they heard or read; to find out the paltriness of lying, and to see that they themselves spoke the truth. Not all the newspapers had learned that truth paid. The happiest thing in the world was to feel oneself "a damned fine fellow," and the best way to feel that was to be "a damned fine fellow."

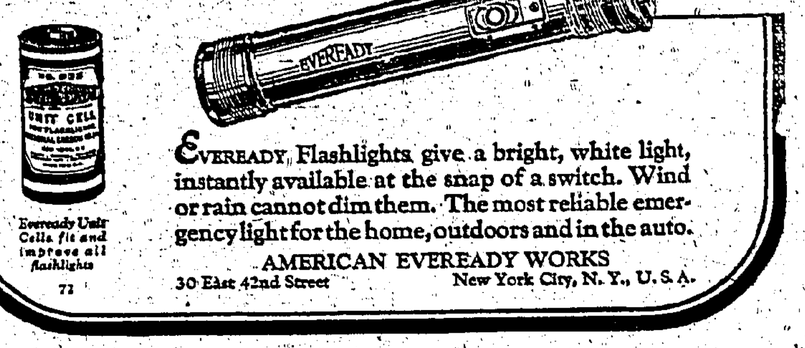
Mr. Jerome warned the boys against devoting their lives to the acquisition of riches. "Getting rich is a mug's game. Most of the things worth having—books, music, scenery, sport, a holiday, with a knapsack on your back, friendship, love—are to be had for little or no expenditure of money."

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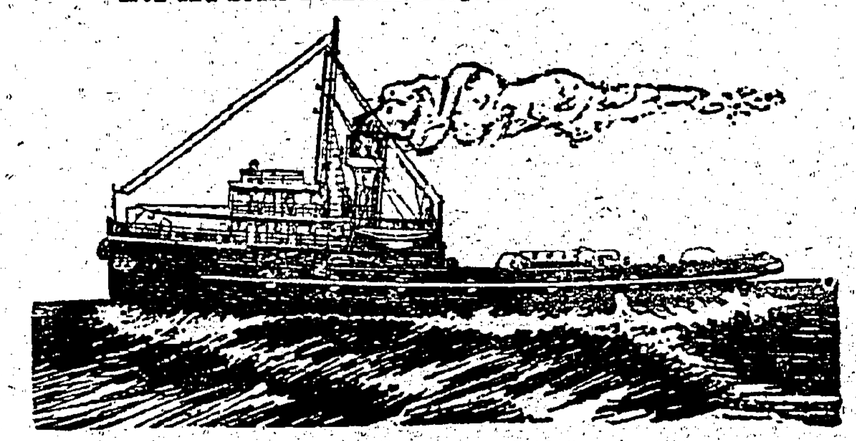
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The ever-controversial subject of how much sleep is required to maintain health has been revived by the time-table submitted by Sir James Crichton-Browne, which ranges from 14 hours' sleep for children of one to five, nine hours from 13 to 30, and eight hours for those over that age.

Sir James recommended light recreation with a soothing pipe or cigar in the evening hours.

Representative views obtained by the *Evening Standard* are fairly in accord with those of Sir James—subject to certain interesting qualifications.

Sir William Arbuthnot-Lane, the physician, usually is satisfied with 7½ hours' sleep. "I am afraid, however," he adds, "that I have no opportunity to smoke or otherwise indulge myself in pleasant recreation for a couple of hours, as I work up to the last moment."

Lady Alexander said:—

"I like to get eight hours' sleep, but my dear husband (the late Sir George Alexander) usually had about five or six hours' sleep. I do not understand card games myself, so I find my recreation in hard work, and I do not think the lazy ones in the country look any better than the busy women in the City with wide interests to occupy their waking hours."

Mr. J. H. Thomas, M.P., goes to bed after midnight, and rises at 7 o'clock, about seven hours being his maximum allowance of sleep.

Sir William Soulsby, who has been secretary to Lord Majors of London for 50 years, has for many years past made a practice of going to bed at 12.15 and getting up at 8 a.m.

Sir William Orpen recently revealed in his article in the *Evening Standard* on "How to Live Long" that he goes to bed at 10 p.m. and rises at 10 a.m.

QUALITY AS WELL AS QUANTITY.

As regards juvenile needs, a medical member of the National Baby Week Council declared that parents, especially fathers, are responsible for quite a lot of the disturbance of their children's sleep.

"The quality of sleep," he explains, "is quite as important as the quantity. Some fathers, when they come home from work, romp with the youngsters and get them excited. The result is that sleep is disturbed or they have child dreams—night terrors and such like—and their sleep is of very little value."

A variant of the ordinary sleeping methods is that adopted by Miss Evelyn Laye, who remarked:—

"I make a point nowadays, especially since my illness, of having an hour's nap during the afternoon to refresh me for the evening's work. Then I have eight hours' sleep, when I finally retire about or just after midnight."

HECTIC CHILD LIFE.

Dr. Stella Churchill is firmly convinced that the modern child requires more sleep than the child of a few years ago. They receive, she said, so many impressions and endure so much more wear and tear. They grow in their sleep and make good what they have lost.

Dr. Stella Churchill was lecturing before the members of the Parents' Association at 65, Rutland-gate recently when she stated that she always had a great deal of sympathy with the sluggard, for she is inclined to agree that sleep was more important than food.

"These are hectic days, even for the children," she added. "Insomnia is a great evil, and the seeds of it are sown in youth. Children who get too little sleep find it difficult to concentrate on their work, and there is loss of emotional control.

"No child should be allowed to work before breakfast when vitality is low. Rough games are also undesirable the last thing at night, and the practice of reading exciting stories is not entirely to be recommended. Children should be taught in their earliest years to sleep in a dark room, and until the age of six or seven require 12 hours' sleep."

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Hongkong, 23rd January, 1926. [3107

SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVALS.

January 25th.

Batavia Maru, Japanese str., 2,726 tons, Capt. H. Egura, from Sandakan, lying at buoy No. B50.—O.S.K.

Fook Sang, British str., 1,987 tons, Capt. M. Costello, from Osaka and Amoy, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

West Cayote, American str., 3,472 tons, Capt. E. P. Wenda, from Portland, Oregon and Shanghai, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B20.

January 26th.

Borneo, British str., 1,297 tons, Capt. R. P. Pritchard, from Haiphong and Hoihow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C43.—Shun Tai S.S. Co.

Chip Shing, British str., 1,109 tons, Capt. D. J. Burleigh, from Tientsin and Weihaiwei, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C39.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Dardanus, British str., 4,926 tons, Capt. D. T. Williams, from Dalny and Shanghai, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A1.—B. & S.

Ming Sang, British str., 969 tons, Capt. C. Alexander, from Haiphong and Hoihow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C39.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Soochow, British str., 1,594 tons, Capt. E. Monkman, from Shanghai, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B12.—B. & S.

Sunli, Portuguese str., 415 tons, Capt. G. A. de Souza, from Kwang Chow Wan, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C41.—Hung Kee Co.

Vulcanus, Dutch str., 707 tons, Capt. H. J. Coersen, from Amoy, lying at Taikoktsui.—Asiatic Petroleum Co

West Sequana, American str., 3,521 tons, Capt. E. Soedrup, from Manila, with general cargo and sugar, lying at buoy No. A27.—Struthers Barry.

CLEARANCES.

January 26th.

Batavia Maru, for Amoy.
Chusan, for Shanghai.
City of Bedford, for Manila.
Dardanus, for Singapore.
Hai Ning, for Swatow.
Nitto Maru, for Tsingtao.
Philoctetes, for Vancouver.
Sunkong, for Kwang Chow Wan.
Tjikenbang, for Shanghai.
Vulcanus, for Foochow.

HONGKONG SHIPPING.

Yesterday's shipping statement showed that the total number of vessels in the harbour at 9 a.m. was 68, of which 40 were British.

The arrivals for the twenty-four hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday numbered eight, *viz.*—five British, one American, one Portuguese and one Japanese. Two of the vessels arriving were from coast ports. The departures over the same period numbered seven, and there were three clearances, two being for Kwang Chow Wan.

CARGO ENTERED.

(During 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday).

For Hongkong 6,059½ tons.
For ports beyond 8,215½ ,,

Total 14,275 ,,

(During previous 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. on Monday).

For Hongkong 7,575½ tons.
For ports beyond 4,257 ,,

Total 11,832½ ,,

Of the cargo entered for Hongkong, 5,343½ tons were carried by British vessels, the heaviest entry being by the s.s. *Ming Sang* from Haiphong and Hoihow with 2,050 tons. Deck passengers carried totalled 877, of which 839 were brought by the s.s. *Fook Sang* (British) from Osaka and Amoy.

The arrivals for the period under review were:—The s.s. *Chip Shing* (British) from Tientsin and Weihaiwei with 1,048 tons of general cargo and mail; the s.s. *Fook Sang* (British) from Osaka and Amoy with 1,345½ tons of general cargo and mail and 762½ tons for ports beyond; the s.s. *Borneo* (British) from Haiphong and Hoihow with general cargo and mail; the s.s. *Dardanus* (British) from Dalny and Shanghai with mail and 2,550 tons of cargo for ports beyond; the s.s. *Ming Sang* (British) from Haiphong and Hoihow with 2,050 tons of general cargo and mail; the s.s. *West Cajoot* (American) from Port Oregon and Shanghai with 500 tons of general cargo and 400 tons for ports beyond; the s.s. *Sun Li* (Portuguese) from Kwang Chow Wan with 150 tons of general cargo; and the s.s. *Batavia Maru* (Japanese) with 66 tons of rattan and firewood and 4,503 tons for ports beyond.

Later arrivals, too late for entry in the above returns, included the s.s. *West Sequana* (American) from Manila; and the s.s. *Soochow* (British) from Shanghai with general cargo and mail.

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NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
TANGO MARU ... Wednesday, 17th Feb.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
SUWA MARU ... Wednesday, 27th Jan. 5 p.m.
SADO MARU ... Saturday, 30th Jan.
NAGANO MARU ... Saturday, 30th Jan.
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FUSHIMI MARU ... Monday, 8th Feb.

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SANDAKAN "MAUSANG" ...Friday, 29th Jan., at 2 p.m.
TIENTSIN via SHANGHAI ... "FAUSANG" ...Sunday, 31st Jan., at 7 a.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA ... "NAMSANG" ...Tuesday, 2nd Feb., at 3 p.m.
KOBE via MOJI "YUENSANG" ...Tuesday, 2nd Feb., at 5 p.m.
KOBE via SHANGHAI "HOSANG" ...Wednesday, 10th Feb., at 4 p.m.
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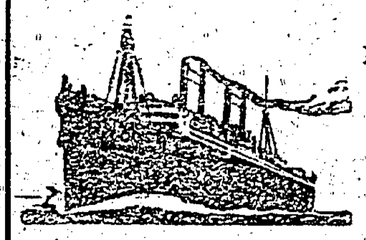
Vessel.	Due Hongkong.
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"CARMARTHENSHIRE"	15th ,,

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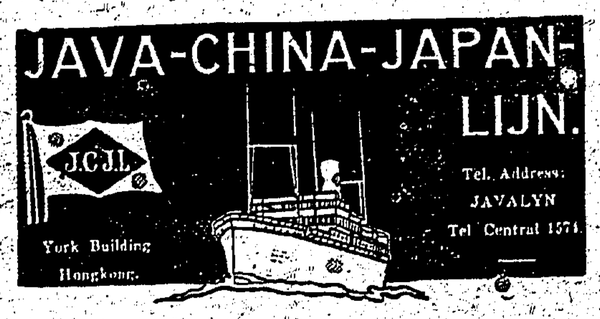
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"ANHALT"	—	7th February, 1926.
"FULDA"	29th January 1926	7th March, ,,
"DERFFLINGER" ...	25th February ,,	4th April, ,,
"TRIER" ...	27th March ,,	1st May, ,,
"SAARBRUECKEN" ...	24th April ,,	29th May, ,,
"COBLENZ"	22nd May ,,	27th June, ,,
"ANHALT"	19th June ,,	—
"FULDA"	15th July ,,	22nd August, ,,
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TJILEBOET ...	NORTH CHINA	30th ,,	2nd Feb.	M'KSAR & S'BAIA.
TJITAROEM ...	S'BAIA & M'KSAR	1st Feb.	3rd ,,	JAPAN
TJILIWONG ...	,,	2nd ,,	5th ,,	S'TOW, AMOY, S'HAI & DALNY.
TJISONDARI ...	BATAVIA	7th ,,	11th ,,	SHANGHAI
TJIKINI ...	NORTH CHINA	15th ,,	17th ,,	S'BAIA. & M'KSAR
TJIMANUK ...	S'BAIA & M'KSAR	19th ,,	21st ,,	JAPAN.
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CHINA COAST CHANGES.

The following are the latest China Coast changes:—

Mr. William M. McDonald, junior, *Chinkiang*, has gone 2nd engineer of the *Fatshan*.

Mr. Robert Dixon, has signed off the *Automedon* as supernumerary 8th engineer, and has gone 8th engineer of the *Philoctetes*.

Mr. A. P. Carver, *Kuelchow*, has gone master of the *Chusan*.

Mr. Robert H. Watt, has signed off the *Fu Sang* as supernumerary 3rd engineer.

Mr. R. Wetherall, has signed off the *Pong Tong* as 1st mate.

Mr. Alfred Formby, has signed off the *Philoctetes* as 7th engineer.

Mr. A. Jamieson, has signed off the *Fu Sang* as 2nd mate.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN HONGKONG.

FOR JANUARY, 1926.

(STANDARD TIME OF THE 120TH MERIDIAN, EAST OF GREENWICH).

Date.	Sunrise.	Sunset.
January 27th.....	7.04 a.m.	6.08 p.m.
,, 28th.....	7.04 ,,	6.09 ,,
,, 29th.....	7.04 ,,	6.10 ,,
,, 30th.....	7.03 ,,	6.10 ,,
,, 31st	7.03 ,,	6.11 ,,

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, January 26th.

	Previous Day at 2 p.m.	On Date at 6 a.m.	On Day at 2 p.m.
Barometer ...	30.44	30.49	30.34
Temperature ...	64	57	62
Humidity ...	56	74	63
Wind Direction ...	ESE	NNE	E
,, Force ...	2	2	2
Weather	O	O	O
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.00

Highest open-air Temperature on 25th ... 65
Lowest open-air Temperature on 26th ... 56

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From Jan. 27th to Feb. 2nd, 1926.

Days of Week	Days of Month	HIGH WATER. H'kong. Standard Time.	Height.	LOW WATER. H'kong. Standard Time.	Height.
		h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
Wed.	27	m 10 6	4 1	m 3 12	1 1
		8 25 a	7 1	1 49 a	3 3
Thur.	28	m 10 42	4 1	m 3 46	0 9
		8 58 a	7 3	2 29 a	3 2
Fri.	29	m 11 14	4 2	m 4 19	0 8
		9 30 a	7 3	3 7 a	3 2
Satur.	30	m 11 43	4 3	m 4 53	0 8
		10 2 a	7 2	3 43 a	3 2
Sun.	31	0 8 a	4 2	m 5 26	0 9
		10 35 a	7 0	4 17 a	3 2
Mon.	1	m 0 31	4 3	m 5 59	1 1
		11 9 a	6 7	4 50 a	3 2
Tues.	2	0 53 a	4 4	m 4 33	1 4
		11 46 a	6 3	5 25 a	3 3

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"DELTA"	8,097	4th Feb. Noon.	S'pore, Penang, Colombo, and B'bay.
"MALWA"	10,941	6th Feb.	Marseilles and London.
"MIRZAPORE"	6,715	16th Feb.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"KARMALA"	9,089	20th Feb.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull.
"NAGPORE"	5,233	2nd Mar.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"MANTUA"	10,902	6th Mar.	Marseilles and London.
"KASHMIR"	8,985	13th Mar.	Mars., L'don., A'werp., and Hamburg.
"KHIVA"	9,135	20th Mar.	Marseilles, London, and Antwerp.
"MOREA"	10,918	3rd Apr.	Marseilles and London.
"DELTA"	8,097	15th Apr.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	17th Apr.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"KALYAN"	9,144	21st Apr.	do.
"MACEDONIA"	11,089	1st May	Marseilles and London.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	15th May	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"MALWA"	0,941	29th May	Marseilles & London
"KHYBER"	9,114	12th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"MANTUA"	10,902	21st June	Marseilles and London.
"DELTA"	8,097	7th July	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"KARMALA"	9,128	10th July	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"RANPURA"	16,585	24th July	Marseilles and London.

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SANTHIA"	8,501	9th Feb.	Singapore, Penang and Calcutta.
TILAWA"	10,006	13th Feb.	do.
TALAMBA"	8,018	26th Feb.	do.
TALMA"	10,000	10th Mar.	do.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	3rd Feb.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, and Melbourne.
"TANDA"	6,958	3rd Mar.	
"ARAFURA"	6,000	7th Apr.	
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"KASHMIR"	8,985	6th Feb.	Shanghai and Kobe.
"TANDA"	6,958	6th Feb.	Moji, Kobe and Yokohama.
"TALMA"	10,000	17th Feb.	Kobe.
"KHIVA"	9,135	20th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"MOREA"	10,911	6th Mar.	do.
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HAIPHONG	... "NINGHAI"	... On	28th Jan.,	Noon.
SHANGHAI	... "KANGHOW"	... On	29th Jan.,	4 p.m.
BANGKOK	... "CHINHUA"	On	30th Jan.,	4 p.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	... "SOOCHOW"	... On	30th Jan.,	4 p.m.
AMOY & SINGAPORE ...	... "ANKING"	... On	2nd Feb.,	D.L.
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WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN ...	... "LUCHOW"	... On	3rd Feb.,	4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	... "SUNNING"	... On	4th Feb.,	4 p.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	... "YINGCHOW"	... On	6th Feb.,	4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	... "LINAN"	... On	7th Feb.,	4 p.m.

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S.S. "FIUME-L" Sails 11th April

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M.S. "ESQUILINO"... Sails 2nd Feb.
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ANGKOR ...	...B ...	1st Jan., 1926	3rd Feb., 1926	2nd Mar., "
PORTHOS ...	...A ...	15th Jan., "	17th Feb., "	16th Mar., "
ANDRE LEBON	...A ...	29th Jan., "	3rd Mar., "	30th Mar., "
PAUL LECAT	...A ...	12th Feb., "	17th Mar., "	13th Apr., "
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RADIO TELEGRAPH CODE ADDRESSES FOR THE YEAR 1926 should be registered at the Radio Telegraph Office, 3rd Floor, Government Building without delay. Forms may be obtained on application.

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INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due
Shanghai	*Linan*	27th Jan.
Straits	*Suwa Maru*	27th Jan.
Manila	*Pres. Madison*	27th Jan.
Australia & Manila	*Changte*	28th Jan.
Manila	*Pres. Cleveland*	29th Jan.
Japan	*Atsuta Maru*	29th Jan.
Europe via Negapatam (Letters only,) London, 31st Dec., 1925)	*Fulda*	29th Jan.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai	*Pres. Jackson*	31st Jan.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	*Pres. Adams*	1st Feb.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	*Siberia Maru*	1st Feb.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	*Pres. Pierce*	4th Feb.
Australia and Manila	*Tanda*	5th Feb.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date	
Swatow	*Chusan*	Wednesday, 27th,	9.30 A M
Swatow & Amoy	*Van Overstraten*		10.00 A M
Japan	*Philoctetes*		10.30 A M
Straits and Calcutta	*Fook Sang*	Parcels	Noon
		Letters	1.00 P M
Manila	*West Cayote*		1.00 P M
Shanghai & Japan	*Suwa Maru*		3.30 P M
Fort Bayard	*Sun Li*		5.00 P M
Formosa	*Kotsu Maru*		5.00 P M
Shanghai	*Yokohama Maru*	Thursday, 28th,	9.30 A M
Haiphong	*Ninghai*		10.30 A M
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & *EUROPE via Victoria, B.C.—due Victoria, B.C., 16th Feb....	*Pres. Madison*	Parcels	Noon
		Reg.	2.45 P M
		Letters	3.30 P M
Swatow & Amoy	*Van Cloon*	Friday, 29th,	10.30 A M
Sandakan	*Mausang*		12.30 P M
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 28th Feb.	*Atsuta Maru*	Saturday, 30th, Reg.	8.45 A M
		Letters	9.30 A M
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, *Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & *EUROPE via San Francisco—due San Francisco, 24th Feb., and EUROPE via Siberia (letters & postcards specially superscribed "Via Siberia" only)	*Pres. Cleveland*	Parcels	Noon
		Reg.	2.45 P M
		Letters	3.30 P M
Bangkok	*Chinhua*		2.30 P M.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	*Hozan Maru*	Sunday, 31st,	9.00 A M
		—FEBRUARY—	
Manila	*Pres. Jackson*	Monday, 1st,	3.30 P M
Amoy	*Sinkiang*		5.00 P M

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.



LONDON SERVICE.

"EUMAEUS"	9th Feb.	Marseilles, London, Rotterdam & Hamburg.
"AUTOMEDON"	23rd Feb.	Marseilles, London, Rotterdam & Hamburg.
"HECTOR"	3rd Mar.	Marseilles, London, Rotterdam & Glasgow.
"PERSEUS"	9th Mar.	Marseilles, London, Rotterdam & Hamburg.

LIVERPOOL SERVICE.

"LAOMEDON"	4th Feb.	Genoa, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow.
"ANTILOCHUS"	20th Feb.	Genoa, Marseilles, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow.
"PELEUS"	5th Mar.	Genoa, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow.
"TELEMACHUS"	20th Mar.	Genoa, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow.

PACIFIC SERVICE.
(via KOBE & YOKOHAMA).

"PHILOCTETES"	27th Jan.	Victoria, Vancouver & Seattle.
"TYNDAREUS"	17th Feb.	Victoria, Vancouver & Seattle.

NEW YORK SERVICE.

"OANFA"	7th Feb.	Boston, New York & Baltimore
"ST. COMPANION"	7th Mar.	Boston, New York & Baltimore

PASSENGER SERVICE.

"HECTOR"	3rd Mar.	Singapore, Marseilles & London.
"SARPEDON"	7th April	Singapore, Marseilles & London.
"PATROCLUS"	5th May.	Singapore, Marseilles & London.
"ANTENOR"	2nd June	Singapore, Marseilles & London.
"HECTOR"	14th July	Singapore, Marseilles & London.

Also cargo steamers with limited passenger accommodation at specially reduced fares.

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Butterfield & Swire,
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COMMERCIAL.

OPENING QUOTATIONS.

January 26th, 1926.

On London.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	2/4⅜
Bank Bills, on demand	2/4 7/16
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	—
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	2/4⅜
Credits, at 4 months' sight	2/5 7/16
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight	2/5 9/16
On Paris.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	1,545
Credits, 4 months' sight	1,535
On New York.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	57⅜
Credits, at 30 days' sight	58⅛
On Bombay.—	
Telegraphic Transfer / Bank Bills, on demand	156¼
On Calcutta.—	
Telegraphic Transfer / Bank Bills, on demand	156¼
On Shanghai.—	
Bank Bills, at sight / Private, 30 days' sight	nom.
On Yokohama.—On demand	128⅛
On Manila.—On demand	115½
On Singapore.—On demand	101
On Batavia.—On demand	143
On Haiphong.—On demand	nom.
On Saigon.—On demand	nom.
On Bangkok.—On demand	78⅛
Sovereign, Bank's Buying rate	$3.24
Gold Leaf, 100 fine, per tael	—
Bar Silver, per oz.	30 15/16

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Head Office: Hongkong.

Authorised Capital$50,000,000
Issued and Fully Paid-up$20,000,000
Reserve Funds:—
Sterling £4,500,000
Silver$26,500,000
Reserve Liability of Proprietors$20,000,000

Court of Directors:
J. M. Young, Esq., Chairman.
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W. H. Bell, Esq. | W. L. Pattenden, Esq.
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WESTMINSTER BANK, LTD.

Current Accounts opened in Local Currency and Fixed Deposits received for one year or shorter periods in Local Currency and Sterling on terms which will be quoted on application.
Hongkong, 19th May, 1925. [25

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

Interest on Deposits is calculated on the lowest balance during each completed Calendar Month at 3½ per cent. per annum. Should there be no balance on any day in a month no interest will be allowed for that month.

Depositors may transfer at their option Balance of $100 or more to the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSITS at CURRENT RATES.

For the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation,
A. H. BARLOW,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 7th January, 1925. [2

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

Incorporated by Royal Charter, 1853.

Head Office: London.

Paid-up Capital£3,000,000
Reserve Fund£4,000,000
Reserve Liability of Proprietor.£3,000,000

Foreign Exchange and General Banking Business transacted.

Current Accounts opened and Fixed Deposits received for one year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

A. H. FERGUSON,
Manager.
Hongkong, April 15th, 1925. [30

BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE,

Head Office:
96, Boulevard Haussmann, Paris.

Subscribed Capital..Frs. 72,000,000.00
Paid-up Capital Frs. 68,400,000.00
Reserve Fund Frs. 59,667,283.54

Branches:

Bangkok	Hanoi	Pondicherry
Battambang	Hongkong	Saigon
Canton	Mengtsz	Shanghai
Djibouti	Noumea	Singapore
FortBayard	Papeete	Tientsin
Haiphong	Peking	Tourane
Hankow	Pnom-Penh	Yunnanfou

Bankers:
In France: Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris; Crédit Lyonnais; Banque de Paris et des Pays-Bas; Crédit Industrial et Commercial; Société Générale.
In London: The National Provincial and Union Bank of England, Ltd.; Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris; Crédit Lyonnais.
In New York: J. P. Morgan & Co.; French-American Banking Corporation; Guaranty Trusty Co., of New York.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits according to arrangement.
Every description of Banking and Exchange Business transacted.

A. LECOT,
Manager.
Hongkong, 20th March, 1924. [33



THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

Head Office:
15, Gracechurch Street, London, E.C. 3.

Authorised Capital£3,000,000
Subscribed Capital£1,800,000
Paid-up Capital£1,050,000
Reserve Fund£1,300,000

Bankers:
The Bank of England
and
Midland Bank, Ltd.

Branches:

Bangkok	Galle	Kuala Lumpur	Rangoon
Batavia	Hongkong	Madras	Shanghai
Bombay	Howrah	New York	Simla
Calcutta	Kandy	Penang	Singapore
Colombo	Karachi	Port Louis	Sourabaya
Delhi	Kota Bharu	(Mauritius)	

Hongkong Branches:
Every description of Banking and Exchange Business transacted.
Interest allowed on Current Accounts to 2 per cent. per annum on Daily Balance and on Fixed Deposits at Rates that may be ascertained on application.

J. B. ROSS,
Acting Manager.
7, Queen's Road Central,
Hongkong, April 17th, 1925. [29

BANQUE FRANCO-CHINOISE POUR LE COMMERCE ET L'INDUSTRIE.
(Incorporated in France).

5, Chater Road, Victoria, Hongkong.

Head Office:
74, Rue St. Lazare, Paris.

Capital.....Frs. 20,000,000
Reserves.....Frs. 11,160,000
Special Working Capital ...Frs. 50,000,000

Branches:

Paris	Lyons	Marseilles
Saigon	Haiphong	Hanoi
Peking	Shanghai	Tientsin
Canton	Hongkong	

Bankers:
France: Société Generale, Banque Nationale de Crédit, Banque de Paris et des Pays Bas.
London: Midland Bank, Ltd.
New York: Irving Bank, Columbia Trust Co.

Every description of Banking and Exchange Business transacted.
Correspondents throughout the World.

A. ROLPH,
Manager.
Hongkong, 2nd December, 1925.

THE BANK OF TAIWAN, LTD.
(Taiwan Ginko.)

Incorporated by Special Imperial Charter, 1899.

Capital Subscribed Yen 45,000,000
Capital (Paid-up) Yen 39,375,000

Head Office:—Taipeh, Formosa.

Branches:
Japan:—Tokyo, Yokohama, Kobe, Osaka.
Formosa:—Giran, Kagi, Karenko, Keelung, Makung, Nantow, Shinchiku, Paichu, Tainan Pakao, Tamsui, Toyen, Ako, Pinan.
China:—Shanghai, Hankow, Amoy, Foochow, Swatow, Canton.
Others: Hongkong, Singapore Soerabaya Semarang, Batavia, Bombay, London, New York Calcutta.

London Bankers:
London County Westminster and Parr's Bank.

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Interest allowed on Current Accounts, and Fixed Deposits at Rates which will be quoted on application.

T. TAKAGI.
Manager,
Hongkong Branch,
3, Des Vœux Road, Central.
Hongkong, 1st Decemb 1925. [27

THE BANK OF CANTON, LTD.
Head Office: Hongkong.
Established 1912.

Authorised Capital £1,200,000
Paid Up Capital £1,078,000
Silver Reserve Fund $ 700,000

Branches:—Canton, Shanghai, Hankow, Swatow, Bangkok, New York and San Francisco.
Correspondents in all principal cities of the World.
London Bankers—The Lloyds Bank, Limited.
Every description of banking business transacted.
Deposit Boxes to let.

LOOK FOONG SHAN,
Chief Manager.
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中國銀行

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Authorized Capital		$60,000,000.00
Paid-up Capital		19,760,200.00
Reserve Fund		9,864,398.69

Head Office:—Peking.
Hongkong Branch:—4, Queen's Road Central.
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New York Bankers:—The Equitable Eastern Banking Corporation, The Irving Bank-Columbia Trust Co.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits. Terms on application.
Every description of Banking Business transacted.
Loans granted on Approved Securities.
Special facilities for domestic exchange.

TSUYEE PEI,
Manager.
Hongkong, January 16th, 1926. [38

NEDERLANDSCHE HANDEL MAATSCHAPPIJ.
(Netherlands Trading Society).

Established 1824.
Hongkong Branch established 1906.

Authorized Capital	Guilders	150,000,000 (£12,500,000)
Paid-up Capital	,,	80,000,000 (£6,666,670)
Reserve Fund	,,	20,536,661 (£1,711,405)
Special Reserves	,,	22,660,000 (£1,888,330)

Head Office:—AMSTERDAM.
Eastern Head Office:—BATAVIA.
Branches:—Bandjermasin, Bandoeng, Bombay, Calcutta, Cheribon, Djember, Djokjakarta, The Hague, Kobe, Kota-Radja, Makassar, Medan, Padang, Palembang, Pecalongan, Penang, Pontianak, Rangoon, Rotterdam, Samarang, Shanghai, Singapore, Soerabaia, Soerakarta (Solo), Tegal, Tjilatjap, and Weltevreden.
London Bankers:—National Provincial Bank, Ltd.
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